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## IN THE WAKE OF THE TYPHOON

### GRAPHIC DETAILS OF DAMAGE DONE

#### MIRACULOUS ESCAPE OF SHIPPING IN THE HARBOUR

#### OFFICIAL REPORTS OF THE MAIN FEATURES

Remarkably Small Addition To Island's Water Supply

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES RECOUNTED BY "CHINA MAIL" MEN

The Colony has suffered to a surprisingly small extent as the result of the typhoon that passed close to the south of the Island yesterday afternoon.

Shipping, in particular, has come out of the dread ordeal almost unscathed, with the exception of some motor launches and smaller craft. It has been indeed a miraculous escape for which the whole Colony, and especially those "who go down to the sea in ships" must be profoundly grateful.

Ashore, the greatest damage has lain in the unroofing of a few houses and verandahs of both sides of the harbour whilst the number of casualties is likewise surprisingly low, looking to the high velocity of the wind when the typhoon was at its height.

There were thrills aplenty ashore, particularly in the business part of the city, the crash of signboards, windows, motor car tops, and so forth, combined with heavy rain and a cyclonic gale, being eerie in the extreme.

Special stories and impressions are given below, affording room for congratulation that the Colony as a whole has escaped so lightly from the mighty hand of King Typhoon.

### THE PUNY HAND OF MAN

At 1.45 yesterday the force of the wind was such that in Wellington Street, Wyndham Street, Queen's Road Central, Des Voeux Road and Connaught Road it looked as if some enormous dragon had come along and simply dragged his tail along the entire thoroughfares mentioned. It upset flower stalls, knocked off plaster, flicked off signboards, and with one mighty flap of his tail left everything looking like nothing! That is what a wind of typhoon force can do.

The rain, driven by the wind, soon blocked the channels which the puny hand of man had provided against such contingencies, showing that the puny hand of man is very tiny compared with the forces of Nature.

Up to the Knees

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else was trim and taut—another tribute to the P.W.D.!

Twisted Water Pipes

Walking further along we came across the pipes that had been specially laid down to give water to a thirsty people during the water famine. The pipes were all zig-zag. They were lying beaten and broken up into all shapes, some lying across the road entirely out of their original alignment. And the shelters that had been erected to protect the water carriers from the fierce rays of Old Sol were all levelled to the ground.

Nearly every wharf had its little office at the entrance laid flat.

At Yaumati Ferry the concrete elevation or rising over the water pipes had simply been all washed away, which showed the force of the wind and the water. There was

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this morning) might have not constituted a danger to the public—and to the poor journalist who must needs gather "copy"—if an Ordinance were passed laying down heavy penalties for carelessness or callousness?

Difference from 1923 Typhoon

In one material aspect, yesterday's typhoon differed from the memorable blow of 1923. Some years ago, live wires fused and cracked in many parts of the city to the danger of pedestrians—and, if memory is right, life was lost through electrocution. In none of the streets traversed by a "China Mail" man between 2 and 5 p.m. yesterday was any severed wire seen lying loosely across thoroughfares. And the "Mail" man went particularly to the Central Market and its adjoining lanes, where much sparking had been observed in 1923.

"Sight-Seeing"

Another point of comment is the comparatively large number about—even on the Praya—at the height of the storm. This was probably due to the fact that most people had, during the tiffin interval, resigned themselves to "a day off," gone out sight-seeing, and then walked into the danger zone without realising that the centre of the typhoon was passing close by just after 2 o'clock. In 1923, the only people on the Praya between the Yaumati ferry and the Harbour Office were Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke, a Pressman, and two coolies who were at the very tip of the Oesha Shosen Kaisha wharf valiantly but vainly attempting to pass a line out to the old "Loongsang" before she went down within 100 yards or so of the sea-wall.

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The lowest barometer reading recorded at the Royal Observatory was 28.048 at 1.30 p.m. The greatest squall velocity was from the east at the rate of nearly 120 miles an hour.

The wind reached gale force at Gap Rock at 10 a.m., at Waglan at 11 a.m. and at Hong Kong at 11.50 a.m. It reached typhoon force at Gap Rock at noon and at Waglan and Hong Kong at about 1 o'clock, and lasted for over two hours at each station.

Once he was under the big verandah of the block of building, he was thoroughly exhausted. He rested for quite a while, and after the typhoon had moderated, he safely made his way home.

### LAUNCHES SUNK

#### Four Police Craft Suffer Damage

A complete and detailed report of damages sustained by vessels in the harbour as a result of yesterday's blow had not been made to the Police or to the Harbour authorities this morning, but so far (from the few reports received), the indication is that small craft in the harbour suffered considerable damage. It is quite likely that within a day or two more reports will be made to the Harbour Office.

A Triangular Collision

A triangular collision, resulting in no damage to any one of the three crafts concerned, was reported to the Police. The "Meridian Star" was cast adrift by a heavy gust of wind whilst she was moored inside the Government Shelter. In her aimless wandering, she ran headlong against the No. 1 Fire Float which was also in the same shelter. The impact caused the latter vessel to clash with a Police launch.

they all rammed against each other, with the result that several of them were sunk. The "Vancouver" is submerged with only her funnel showing. Salvage work will be proceeded with at once, and it is hoped that she will be in working order shortly.

The "Bank Line"

Another European-owned launch to share the same fate was the "Bank Line," a vessel belonging to the Bank Line Steamship Company. She was also inside the shelter, and the cause of her foundering was identically the same as in the case of the others. The Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Company have commenced salvage work.

Other Crafts Sunk

The coxswain of the steam launch "Choy Fat" made a report to the Harbour authorities this morning to the effect that his vessel was lying inside the Yaumati Shelter, near the Southern entrance. The "Choy Fat" was heeled in by a number of other launches, lighters, and junks. At 2.30 p.m. when the gale was at its height, he noticed that there was a danger of his vessel being crushed by others. He then started his engines going in the hope of getting clear away from the others.

Did Not Work

Owing to the terrific wind, the "Choy Fat" made no headway, and the rough sea which was running at the time greatly prevented any manoeuvring. The result was that the "Choy Fat" stern came in contact with the stern of another boat. The "Choy Fat" began to make water, and subsequently she foundered.

The steam launch "Cheong Hing" met with similar fate.

Broke Away

The steam launch "Tai Sang," belonging to the Wong Choy Ho Co., made a report to the effect that she was towing two cargo boats and lighters from Canton, and when opposite Tai Lam Chung, Castle Peak, the lighters and junks broke loose from the launch owing to the cable having snapped.

The launch lost control with the result that she was badly buffeted. Her crew of twelve men were thrown overboard, and only after much difficulties did they gain the shore.

On the lighters there was a mixed crew, but to which direction the boats had drifted to the launch people were unable to say.

Wharf Incident

The master of cargo boat No. 2138V reported that at 11.30 a.m. yesterday, she made fast to the s.s. "Sai On," which was lying alongside the Tung On Wharf. When the typhoon was at its worst, the "Sai On" left its mooring place to go into shelter. The cargo boat, which was loading coal on to the "Sai On," then dropped two anchors from the bow, but the anchors dragged and the junk's stern was driven against the wharf. The craft foundered almost immediately, but all her crew were able to swim ashore. There were twenty tons of coal in the boat, and the total damage sustained was estimated at \$400.

River Boats' Fate

The two River boats—the "Tai Lee" and the "On Lee" which went into shelter off Stonecutters Island immediately after the signal was given of the approach of the typhoon, returned to their wharves yesterday evening at about seven o'clock.

One of them—the "Tai Lee" had her wireless outfit ripped away, and the bridge of the other vessel was wrecked.

The s.s. "Tin Tin"

The s.s. "Tin Tin"—a vessel on the Canton and Macao run was washed on the rocks off Laihekook. She was here for repairs and whilst moored to her slipway at Shamshui-po, her anchor chain snapped. She was then drifting in the harbour until she landed on the rocks. She is said to be badly damaged.

INSPECTING DAMAGE

Emergency Squads of Police

Immediately after the storm had abated, two emergency squads of the Police, under senior inspectors and wearing "tin helmets" went out to inspect the damage done to the town and remove debris from the roads.

The scene in Queen's Road, the Murray Barracks, and the Central Market was a sight to behold. The roads were covered with debris, and the buildings were in a state of confusion.

Formerly the "Woodlark"

The "Cassum" was formerly the H.M.S. "Woodlark"—a patrol boat for service on the Yangtze. She was sold to Messrs. Cassum & Co., Hong Kong, a few months ago. On her trip down to Shanghai, she met with a severe typhoon, and had to go into the port of Wenchow for refuge. Her new owners were without news of her for a long time, and much anxiety was felt for her safety.

C.P.R. Launch Foundered

Among the several launches that foundered within the Yaumati Shelter was the C.P.R. vessel "Vancouver." She was anchored inside the shelter together with a number of other boats, but owing to a sudden change of the wind,

A MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

Thrilling Experience of Foreigner

A most miraculous escape from serious injury and probably death was the alarming experience which a foreigner met with yesterday. If there is such a thing as "nine lives," he must have been the one gifted with that mythical blessing.

He left his Office at about 1.50 p.m. and, in spite of the warnings of a friend, set out for his home at Causeway Bay. He took a motor car from the Post Office, and everything went well until he arrived at the corner of Arsenal-street and Queen's-road East.

The wind was blowing furiously, and the car had to go past Queen's-road East instead of by the Praya. The typhoon was at its worst then, and from the corner of Arsenal-street until reaching Wanchai-road, where the Naval Monument is, no fewer than twenty signboards were blown against the motor-car which was going at a "snail pace."

A Full Size Brick

No. 2 Police Station was reached and just before turning into Wanchai-road, a full size brick was hurled at the wind shield of the car by the gale. The thick plate of glass was smashed to smithereens, and the driver received a slight cut in the left eye. Luckily for the foreigner inside the car, he had his raincoat off and using it as a screen, he was able to break the force of the brick.

The car was then unable to proceed further. It backed to a side channel near the M. Y. San Factory. There they waited for about ten minutes, and when the wind had slightly subsided, the plucky motor driver ventured forth once more.

### PRAYA EAST

#### Motor Truck Bonnet Among Debris

Buildings and structures along the new road on the Praya East seem to have received the full force of the gale. In fact few escaped and were either completely wrecked or on the verge of collapse. Naturally they could not stand up to the elements as they are all more or less of the matchstick type with tiled roofs. They consisted mostly of contractors and wood merchants buildings and garages, and here and there one could see the bonnet of a motor truck among the debris.

At Ming Yuen the gale had blown down two tall palm trees, which had completely damaged the stage and dressing rooms connected with this popular Chinese pleasure garden, while the auditorium was completely wrecked. In their fall they came in contact with an electric standard supporting the overhead wires, carrying the pole and wires to the ground. The overhead repair gang arrived on the scene shortly after 4.30 p.m., and set to work to repair the defect.

Bathing Sheds Destroyed

The Bathing Matsheds at North Point suffered badly and were all destroyed with the exception of that of the Chinese Athletic Association which suffered little damage. The recently built concrete structure of the South China Athletic Association stood the test and seemed to be little the worse of the "blow" in spite of its exposed position, although the bamboo structures built out from it had completely disappeared.

Many private residences in the Colony have suffered by the force of the hurricane. At Seven Sisters, Tsat Tse Mui, the property of Mr. J. Dalziel, the massive picturesque Chinese gateway was completely demolished, carrying with it a great mass of stone work from the eight-foot wall. Further damage was done to the stone work by the flag pole, which snapped at the base.

The matchstick stables situated near the Officers' Mess of the K.O.S.B. was practically a wreck, and late in the afternoon officers and men were doing their best to repair the damage.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES

Danger to Public From Falling Debris

When will legislature be introduced to make it compulsory for owners of anything movable to take down or secure safely the same on the No. 1 signal going up? It is problematical, as the legal profession might say, whether one can recover damages, substantial or otherwise, after being "biffed" on the head by a window, signboard, or frame 300 yards from where it was originally. But, in all seriousness, there is far too much nonchalance. Of course, those who lose their property through it being carried away are penalised to a certain extent. Yet how much of the debris gathered by the Sanitary Department (making an early start

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Track of the Typhoon Traced

The following statement on the typhoon had been made to the Press by Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Acting Director of the Royal Observatory—

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**TWO BRITISH INSURANCE  
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Harbin, Yesterday.—Manchurian bandits on August 17, kidnapped two British insurance inspectors, Mr. E. M. Burton, belonging to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire of Harbin, and Mr. I. H. C. Godfrey, of the Commercial Union, Harbin branch, at Kiamusze on the Sungari River, 280 miles north-east of Harbin. They were engaged at the time in their annual inspection of their sub-agencies, in connection with Manchuria's huge export produce trade. It is believed that they are being held for ransom.

Both men were formerly employed in the London office. Mr. Burton is 36 years old and was formerly a member of the Rhodesian police and a big game hunter. Mr. Godfrey is 28 years of age, a Scotchman, and is the son of the ex-Commissioner of Public Works, Shanghai.

Their Chinese interpreter escaped and informed the authorities. The British Consul at Harbin has made representations to the Chinese authorities and demanded that they take immediate steps to secure their release.—Reuter.

**DYKE BROKEN**

**FLOOD IN YELLOW RIVER  
VALLEY**

Peking, Yesterday.—The Rev. Father Weber of Tsaochow telegraphs to the China International Famille Relief organisation that the Yellow River dyke at Huangchow, in Shantung, had a break of 1,000 feet, through which a torrent was pouring. A strip of country of 50 miles, by 5 to 10 miles wide, is flooded, damaging, beyond hope of saving, the bean, millet and corn crops, which the July rains were bringing on after a long period of drought, which had brought famine to that area.—Reuter.

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**THE LESSON OF MASS  
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Mr. Henry Ford's application to the International Labour Office for comparative data of wage scales, living costs, and the incidence of taxation in European cities where he plans to establish factories arouses much comment in America. There is general acceptance of the theory that many industries perhaps may emulate Mr. Ford and other Americans in establishing plants in Europe to escape the high American tariff barriers, and may follow in Europe the lesson learned that increased wages mean increased consumption, resulting in a demand which justifies mass production in many lines. Foreign resentment is expected, but it is believed that these methods will succeed in Europe, as they have done in America. No doubts are expressed as to the success of Mr. Ford's experiment, or that it will have in Europe the same stimulative effect on the general economic life which it has had in the United States.

Application to Geneva, Geneva, July. Interest in the International Labour Conference at Geneva has centred in Mr. Ford's announced intention to give the same scale of "real wages" to all Ford employees in countries outside America. The Ford Motor Company of London recently approached the International Labour Office for comparative data on wage scales, the cost of living, and taxation incident in European countries, where factories are proposed. The Labour Office having expressed its willingness to compile the data, providing funds were available for research, the American philanthropist, Mr. Filene, has cabled an offer of \$25,000 (\$5,000) for such research, giving as his reason that Mr. Ford's announced intention means much to the world's prosperity and progress, and also that it is in the interest of other manufacturers with foreign plants that the purchasing powers of European peoples shall be increased.

**DRUGS SEIZURE**

**VIGOROUS ILLICIT TRAFFIC  
CONTINUES**  
In the Government's annual report to the League of Nations on the control of dangerous drugs, it is stated that no seizures of importance occurred in Great Britain during the year. The report, however, of seizures received from India and Canada, from America and other countries, showed that the illicit traffic was being carried on vigorously throughout the year, and great quantities of these drugs were smuggled, particularly to North America, Egypt, India, and China.

Mr. Joseph Compton, Socialist M.P. for Gorton, Manchester, has been elected chairman of the kitchen committee of the House of Commons.

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**ARMS POSSESSION**

**FOREIGNER FINED FOR  
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**A POLICE RAID**

When the residence of M. Charles Gerer—No. 45 Nathan Road—was raided by the Police one automatic pistol and 19 rounds of ammunition were found.

M. Gerer appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Court yesterday for having the arms and ammunition in his possession without a permit from the Police. He pleaded that he did not know the regulation.

His Worship asked if he had not seen a notice to that effect posted on steamers?

Accused replied in the negative. Inspector Dorling said that notices were sent to all steamship companies, but he could not say whether they were posted in vessels. He did not, however, think that tramp ships which came to Hong Kong periodically exhibited such notices. He was not pressing the charge.

Accused was fined \$25 and the pistol and ammunition were ordered to be confiscated.

**M. TROTSKY**

**HAS AT LEAST ONE  
ADMIRER**

With the return to the fold of Karl Radek, Eugene Preobrazhensky, Smilga, and a number of less known opposition members who have published a statement renouncing Trotsky and all his works, Christian Rakovsky remains almost the sole prominent oppositionist who has not made peace with the party leadership.

M. Rakovsky, whose feeling of loyalty and admiration for his banished leader has made him hold out when most of his former colleagues have yielded, lives obscurely in the Volga town of Saratov.

Hungarian pilots are receiving special instruction in night flying with a view to the instruction of night services.

Mr. T. R. Bavin, Premier of New South Wales, left London recently for New York, on his way to Sydney.

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Two bottles of "Hong Kong Brandy" made up to pass for the genuine Hennessy Brandy were the contributing factor in sending a Chinese to prison for three months.

The man was charged at the Kowloon Court yesterday before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith with selling the adulterated spirit to another Chinese. An analysis was made and the contents of the bottles were found to contain spirit of wine and some colouring matter to give it the colour of brandy.

His Worship observed that it was a serious offence, as people who drank the stuff might have ill-effects. He passed sentence as stated, and when the accused asked to be let off with a fine, his Worship said that a fine was not wanted in a case of that nature.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Charles Vincent Whitgrave, a solicitor, of Ponsonby-place, S.W., who did not appear at Bow-street to answer a charge of converting to his own use \$1,220 belonging to the Italian Church, Hatton-garden, E.C.

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HAKOZAKI MARU	Saturday, 28th September.
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TANGO MARU	Wednesday, 25th September.
AKI MARU	Wednesday, 25th September.
ROMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Wednesday, 25th September.
TOKUSHIMA MARU	Wednesday, 25th September.
SADO MARU	Wednesday, 25th September.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	Tuesday, 24th August.
RAKUYO MARU	Tuesday, 24th August.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	Friday, 30th August.
KAWACHI MARU	Friday, 30th August.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	Friday, 30th August.
TAKETOYO MARU	Friday, 30th August.
MAYEDASHI MARU	Thursday, 12th September.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa.	Friday, 20th September.
LYONS MARU	Friday, 20th September.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Thursday, 29th August.
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CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Sunday, 1st September.
CELEBES MARU	Thursday, 19th September.
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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.	Monday, 9th September.
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai)	Monday, 9th September.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Thursday, 5th September.
MADRAS MARU	Thursday, 5th September.
HAIPHONG—Via Hanoi & Pakhoi.	Thursday, 5th September, 10 a.m.
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 5th September.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	Tuesday, 3rd September.
HAVRE MARU	Tuesday, 3rd September.
JAPAN PORTS.	Sunday, 25th August.
TACOMA MARU	Sunday, 25th August.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Sunday, 25th August, 3 p.m.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 1st September, 3 p.m.
GANTON MARU	Sunday, 1st September, 3 p.m.
TAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Thursday, 29th August, Noon.
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## SEAMAN'S WAGES

### RECENT CLAIM AGAINST WHITE STAR LINE

#### MAGISTRATE'S INTIMATION

The case arising out of the wreck in December last of the "Celtic," and involving a claim for wages against the owners, the White Star Line, was continued at Liverpool Police Court before the Stipendiary Magistrate (Mr. Stuart Deacon). At the previous hearing it was stated that if the claim succeeded, claims by other seamen might be instituted, and the ultimate cost to the company amount to about £7,000. Plaintiff, Joseph Comerford, a refrigerating greaser on the "Celtic," when the vessel was wrecked, claimed £21, being wages for two months during which period he was unemployed as a result, he contended, of the wreck of the "Celtic." It had been previously stated that Comerford's wages were £10 10s. per month. On the return trip to Liverpool from New York the vessel was aground off Rock of the Point. On returning to Liverpool on December 12 he received £15s. being his wages up to December 11. He signed off under protest, because he wanted more wages.

Mr. Fraser Harrison appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. A. J. Hodgson for the defendants. The first witness was Francis Reilly, branch secretary of the Seamen's Union, who, when questioned by Mr. Harrison as to the procedure when engine ratings wanted, said they usually applied to the assistant second engineer. As soon as Comerford went ashore he saw witness and had his name placed on a list as a man looking for a job. Eventually he was placed on the "Duchess of York." Some of the "Celtic" men had been placed before this, but even the first could not be placed for three weeks. Most vessels retained their usual crews when sailing again.

Mr. Hodgson—I understand you to say that sometimes shipping companies send up to you at the last minute?

Witness.—Yes, but not the White Star Line.

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## SHIPPING LOANS

### FRENCH GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The French Government has tabled a bill providing for amendments to the "Credit Maritime" law of August 1, 1928. The latter, it may be recalled, gave facilities for loans contracted by shipowners for the building or buying of additional tonnage.

The State guaranteeing repayment of capital and interest, and paying for part of interest when the latter exceeds a moderate rate.

According to the new bill, the minimum rate of interest to be left for shipowners to pay is lowered from 4 per cent. to 3 per cent.

With this reserve the State pays the difference between the actual instalments and theoretical yearly instalments based on one-half of the actual rate of interest. Special clauses are contained in the bill to encourage the ordering of cargo vessels, viz., ships carrying less than 12 passengers.

The bill also provides for increased rebates of interest on loans for the purpose of buying foreign second-hand tonnage, as it has been found that the provisions intended to help tramp companies in that way in the law of August 1, 1928, have remained a dead letter.

Taxes Removed. Another important part of the bill aims at removing excessive taxation, namely, the registration fee on ship sales. Under pressure from the Exchequer, the said fee had been raised by successive turns of the screw until it reached such a high figure in 1925 as practically to put a stop to the purchase of ships altogether to all intents and purposes, and a reduction to 3 per cent. instead of 6 per cent. in 1926 for certain categories of ships proved insufficient, and the bill would accordingly re-establish the old fixed fee, viz., 22.5 francs.

Section 8 will be welcomed by foreign ship-repairers. It removes the practical prohibition of having French ships docked or repaired abroad. Under the proposed regime ships repaired abroad will only have to pay customs duty on materials used in the repair job, when the cost of the latter exceeds 100 francs per gross register ton. Total exemption of such duty is granted when circumstances justify extensive repairs abroad.

Other sections of the bill provide for certain extensions of the exemption from tax on the turnover on sales of shipbuilding and kindred materials.

## NORWAY'S TONNAGE

### EXPECTED TO ECLIPSE FRANCE AND ITALY

The statistics published recently are remarkable in the sense of the large amount of tonnage which is under construction or on order for Norwegian owners. Thus, on July 1 the number amounted to 116 ships of a total of 455,000 gross tons. These figures compare with 94 ships and 293,000 gross tons on January 1, 1929, and with 58 of 269,000 gross tons on July 1, 1928.

In discussing the situation "Norwegian Handels og Skipsstatistik" states that since the great contracts were entered into directly after the war there has not been so much tonnage under construction or on order for Norwegian account as at the present time. Thus the Norwegian fleet is occupied in obtaining a more prominent place among the world's large merchant fleets. At present the country holds the seventh position, but as the fleets of France and Italy experienced a decline last year, and as in March, 1929, there were under construction for them only about 155,000 tons and about 90,000 tons respectively, it is probable that in a year the range of ownership will be Norway, Italy and France with fleets of 3,450,000 tons, 3,350,000 tons and 3,250,000 tons in the three cases respectively.

These figures are naturally by way of estimates, as one can never know the reductions through losses or sales. However, in any case, there is considered to be scarcely any doubt that Norway's merchant fleet in a year will occupy the fifth place in the world after those of England, the United States, Japan and Germany.

How far this great increase in new construction is justified is a question of the trade situation and prices. There is not the slightest doubt that the world's fleet by a long way exceeds the need of tonnage. Large ships, which form the preponderating part of the new construction, cannot be provided with remunerative freights without the greatest difficulty. But on the other hand, it must be presumed that the new ships will be able to beat the old ships in competition, and they will eventually derive advantage from an improvement in the trade situation.

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The River Tyne Commissioners at a recent meeting made further concessions to dues payers, which brings the total concessions made to £32,000. All vessels, whether above or below the bridges, will have the existing 50 per cent. above pre-war dues reduced to 40 per cent. This is in addition to the reduction made at the last meeting.

Another concession, which will cost £12,390, is the lowering of all tolls on vehicular and passenger ferry boats at Shields.

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	Leave	Arrive	Leave	Arrive	Leave	Arrive	Arrive
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 4	Sept. 7	Sept. 10	Sept. 12	Sept. 21	Sept. 21	Sept. 21
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	Oct. 12	Oct. 12	Oct. 12
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 9	Oct. 12	Oct. 15	Oct. 17	Oct. 26	Oct. 26	Oct. 26
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Oct. 8	Nov. 2	Nov. 5	Nov. 7	Nov. 16	Nov. 16	Nov. 16
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Nov. 13	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 21	Nov. 30	Nov. 30	Nov. 30
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 23	Nov. 26	Nov. 29	Dec. 1	Dec. 10	Dec. 10	Dec. 10
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Dec. 24	Dec. 26	Jan. 4	Jan. 4	Jan. 4
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Jan. 15	Jan. 18	Jan. 21	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 26	Jan. 26
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 12	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 20	Mar. 1	Mar. 1	Mar. 1
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 13	Mar. 13	Mar. 22
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Mar. 27	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 9	Apr. 12	Apr. 15	Apr. 17	Apr. 17	Apr. 26	Apr. 26
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Apr. 30	May 3	May 6	May 8	May 8	May 8	May 17
EMPERESS OF CANADA	May 13	May 16	May 19	May 21	May 21	May 21	May 21
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 12	June 12	June 20	June 20
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MIRZAPORE	6,725	16th Oct.	Swatara, Colombo & Bombay.
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TILAWA	10,000	4th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TALAMBA	3,013	12th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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ST. ALBANS	4,500	10th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
MANFUA	10,946	13th Sept.	Shanghai.
TILAWA	10,000	14th Sept.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*MIRZAPORE	6,725	17th Sept.	Moji & Kobe.
TALAMBA	3,013	19th Sept.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KALYAN	5,134	27th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*MIRZAPORE	6,725	29th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKLIWA	7,936	1st Oct.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
DELTA	8,097	7th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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## REDS' PILLAGE

WHAT HO LUNG IS DOING  
IN HUPEH

300 FAMILIES MASSACRED

Canton, Yesterday.  
The magistrate of Sangchih Hsien in Hupeh province has cabled the Central Government that Ho Lung, the notorious "Red" leader, burned 40 to 50 persons, massacred over 300 families, and destroyed by fire 2,000 houses. Over 20,000 people have fled from his district.

On his last trip to Shanghai, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek expressed a desire to inspect the 5th Division of the Army but, owing to the tension created by the Sino-Russian dispute, he returned to Nanking without carrying out his intention.

It is understood that Marshal Chiang will return to Shanghai shortly to make the inspection, which will very probably be carried out at the Lunghua Aerodrome.

General Han Fu-chu's Stand.  
Journalists were entertained by General Han Fu-chu on August 22 and, in the course of a speech, General Han gave a full account of his disagreement with Feng Yu-shiang. He also declared his attitude on the Sino-Russian dispute and said he had volunteered to lead 60,000 Kuomintang troops to the front. General Han left for Honan on August 21.—Canton News Agency's radio service.

## AUSTRALIA

OFFICIAL STATEMENT AS TO  
THE BUDGET

### VIEWS ON REPARATIONS

Sydney, Yesterday.  
Introducing the Budget in the House of Representatives, the Commonwealth Treasurer explained that the deficit of 1928-29 was partly due to the falling off of the Customs and excise receipts.

The proposed new taxes include a 10 per cent. increase on individual incomes exceeding £2,000 while the Amusement Tax is estimated to bring in an additional £600,000.

The Treasurer said the Government were anxious that action to reduce preference should be postponed pending the Imperial Conference of which a convocation was urgently desired. The Imperial Government should make every effort to retain the Dawes Plan as the basis of the reparations' distribution.—Reuter.

The New Tariff.  
Canberra, Yesterday.  
New revenue duties, which are expected to produce £2,750,000, are announced by the Federal Treasurer.

The margin of British preference will either be maintained or increased.

The duty on foreign silk goods will be raised from twenty to thirty per cent.; while the duty on artificial silk goods will be altered to twenty-five per cent. for British goods and thirty-five per cent. for foreign.

The wine and spirit duty will be raised two shillings a gallon; the tobacco and cigarette duty will be raised eight pence a pound, and on cigars a shilling a pound.

New duties of ten per cent. will be imposed on precious stones; and twopence a gallon on the petrol content of enriched crude petroleum.—Reuter.

The death occurred at the German-American Hospital, Tientsin, on August 8, from typhoid fever, of Mr. Georg Mayr, manager of Marzoli & Co. Deceased was very well-known among the Russian, German, and Italian communities in Tientsin, with whom he was very popular. He had a cheery personality, and his death at the early age of 35 is greatly regretted by his numerous friends. He was born at Trieste, and is survived by the widow, who is a doctor.

## HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations taken at the Kowloon tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doherty during the years 1887, 1888 and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kowloon; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

August 23 to 29, 1929.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
Standard Time	Standard Time	Standard Time
Aug. 23	10.45	4.41
Aug. 24	11.23	5.15
Aug. 25	12.01	5.53
Aug. 26	12.39	6.31
Aug. 27	13.17	7.09
Aug. 28	13.55	7.47
Aug. 29	14.33	8.25
Aug. 30	15.11	9.03
Sept. 1	15.49	9.81
Sept. 2	16.27	10.59
Sept. 3	17.05	11.37
Sept. 4	17.43	12.15
Sept. 5	18.21	12.53
Sept. 6	18.59	13.31
Sept. 7	19.37	14.09
Sept. 8	20.15	14.87
Sept. 9	20.53	15.65
Sept. 10	21.31	16.43
Sept. 11	22.09	17.21
Sept. 12	22.47	17.99
Sept. 13	23.25	18.77
Sept. 14	24.03	19.55
Sept. 15	24.41	20.33
Sept. 16	25.19	21.11
Sept. 17	25.57	21.89
Sept. 18	26.35	22.67
Sept. 19	27.13	23.45
Sept. 20	27.51	24.23
Sept. 21	28.29	25.01
Sept. 22	29.07	25.79
Sept. 23	29.45	26.57
Sept. 24	30.23	27.35
Sept. 25	31.01	28.13
Sept. 26	31.79	28.91
Sept. 27	32.57	29.69
Sept. 28	33.35	30.47
Sept. 29	34.13	31.25
Sept. 30	34.91	32.03
Oct. 1	35.69	32.81
Oct. 2	36.47	33.59
Oct. 3	37.25	34.37
Oct. 4	38.03	35.15
Oct. 5	38.81	35.93
Oct. 6	39.59	36.71
Oct. 7	40.37	37.49
Oct. 8	41.15	38.27
Oct. 9	41.93	39.05
Oct. 10	42.71	39.83
Oct. 11	43.49	40.61
Oct. 12	44.27	41.39
Oct. 13	45.05	42.17
Oct. 14	45.83	42.95
Oct. 15	46.61	43.73
Oct. 16	47.39	44.51
Oct. 17	48.17	45.29
Oct. 18	48.95	46.07
Oct. 19	49.73	46.85
Oct. 20	50.51	47.63
Oct. 21	51.29	48.41
Oct. 22	52.07	49.19
Oct. 23	52.85	49.97
Oct. 24	53.63	50.75
Oct. 25	54.41	51.53
Oct. 26	55.19	52.31
Oct. 27	55.97	53.09
Oct. 28	56.75	53.87
Oct. 29	57.53	54.65
Oct. 30	58.31	55.43
Oct. 31	59.09	56.21
Nov. 1	59.87	56.99
Nov. 2	60.65	57.77
Nov. 3	61.43	58.55
Nov. 4	62.21	59.33
Nov. 5	62.99	60.11
Nov. 6	63.77	60.89
Nov. 7	64.55	61.67
Nov. 8	65.33	62.45
Nov. 9	66.11	63.23
Nov. 10	66.89	64.01
Nov. 11	67.67	64.79
Nov. 12	68.45	65.57
Nov. 13	69.23	66.35
Nov. 14	70.01	67.13
Nov. 15	70.79	67.91
Nov. 16	71.57	68.69
Nov. 17	72.35	69.47
Nov. 18	73.13	70.25
Nov. 19	73.91	71.03
Nov. 20	74.69	71.81
Nov. 21	75.47	72.59
Nov. 22	76.25	73.37
Nov. 23	77.03	74.15
Nov. 24	77.81	74.93
Nov. 25	78.59	75.71
Nov. 26	79.37	76.49
Nov. 27	80.15	77.27
Nov. 28	80.93	78.05
Nov. 29	81.71	78.83
Nov. 30	82.49	79.61
Dec. 1	83.27	80.39
Dec. 2	84.05	81.17
Dec. 3	84.83	81.95
Dec. 4	85.61	82.73
Dec. 5	86.39	83.51
Dec. 6	87.17	84.29
Dec. 7	87.95	85.07
Dec. 8	88.73	85.85
Dec. 9	89.51	86.63
Dec. 10	90.29	87.41
Dec. 11	91.07	88.19
Dec. 12	91.85	88.97
Dec. 13	92.63	89.75
Dec. 14	93.41	90.53
Dec. 15	94.19	91.31
Dec. 16	94.97	92.09
Dec. 17	95.75	92.87
Dec. 18	96.53	93.65
Dec. 19	97.31	94.43
Dec. 20	98.09	95.21
Dec. 21	98.87	95.99
Dec. 22	99.65	96.77
Dec. 23	100.43	97.55
Dec. 24	101.21	98.33
Dec. 25	101.99	99.11
Dec. 26	102.77	99.89
Dec. 27	103.55	100.67
Dec. 28	104.33	101.45
Dec. 29	105.11	102.23
Dec. 30	105.89	103.01
Dec. 31	106.67	103.79

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Tsai via S'hai & S'hai	HANGSANG	Sun., 1st Sept. at Noon
Tsai via S'hai & S'hai	YATSHING	Wed., 4th Sept. at Noon
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	KUMSANG	Tues., 27th Aug. at 10 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	HOSANG	Tues., 3rd Sept. at Noon
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	KUTSANG	Tues., 10th Sept. at Noon
Osaka via Amoy, Moji & Kobe	NAMSANG	Thurs., 19th Sept. at 7 a.m.
Spore, Penang & Calcutta	YUENSANG	Tues., 1st Oct. at 10 a.m.
Spore, Penang & Calcutta	SUISANG	Sun., 1st Sept. at 10 a.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Wed., 4th Sept. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Mon., 16th Sept. at 3 p.m.
Tientsin via Wei-hai-wei & Newchwang	CHIPSANG	Mon., 25th Aug. at 3 p.m.
Tientsin	CHEONGSHING	Thurs., 5th Sept. at Noon

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## VOLUNTEER CORPS

COMMANDANT'S ORDERS FOR  
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### AQUATIC SPORTS

Orders issued by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, state:—  
Promenade Concert.—The Promenade Concert arranged for to-night is postponed indefinitely owing to the uncertain weather.

Concert Committee Meeting.—The Concert Committee will meet at Volunteer Headquarters on Wednesday, at 5.30 p.m.

Annual Aquatic Sports  
The annual aquatic sports will be held at the Victoria Recreation Club on Saturday, September 7, at 9 p.m.

Admission tickets, \$1 each, can be obtained at Volunteer Headquarters and Victoria Recreation Club.

Entrance fee 50 cents per man per event, whether team or individual entries.

Entries to be made in writing, accompanied by the necessary fees, to Corp. S. D. Iglesden, at Volunteer Headquarters, not later than noon on Saturday, August 31.

Full particulars will be issued to all ranks of the Corps by circular.

Sergeants' Mess Meeting  
A meeting of the Sergeants' Mess will be held on Thursday, at 6 p.m.

Corps Band  
Tuesday and Friday, August 27 and 30.—The Band will parade at Corps Headquarters for full Band Practice at 5.30 p.m. in mufti.

The Battery  
All ranks are reminded that a meeting to discuss arrangements for the training season is being held at Corps Headquarters to-day at 5.45 p.m.

Lecture at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, as previously notified.

Corps Signals  
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday. As this is the first parade of the 1929-1930 training season, it is hoped that all ranks will make an effort to attend.

Mounted Infantry Co.  
Thursday, August 29.—Parade at Riding School, at 5.30 p.m.

Armoured Car Company  
Car Section, Monday.—Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for run around the Island in the Armoured Car.

Motor Cycle Section. There will be a parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, for Machine Gun instruction. Every member of the Section is particularly requested to attend.

Machine Gun Company  
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### "KING TYPHOON"

It is all over now, save the damage that was caused, and looking back on what happened yesterday when "King Typhoon" was doing his best to have matters all his own way—and succeeding in many respects—it may be said that the Colony emerged from the awful ordeal in a manner that can only be described as being "very lucky." We were lucky in having such excellent and timely warnings, and the Observatory officials—(often the butts of more or less facetious comment)—are heartily to be congratulated on the part they played.

The warnings they issued convincingly showed the high state of scientific knowledge to which they have attained. What they stated gave all connected with the harbour especially and the residents generally ample warning of what they might expect. The forecast was excellent, and probably was the direct cause of calamity on a vast scale being averted. The Observatory officials clearly announced not only the correct time that the typhoon would come within close proximity to Hong Kong's coast.

Thus, as stated, we were prepared to cope as best we could with "King Typhoon" when he came careering along bent upon destruction.

The wind's velocity at the height of the calamity was estimated to have been 120 miles an hour, and naturally a very considerable amount of damage was

done. But it is most satisfactory to be able to report that the damage was comparatively of a minor nature and, so far as is known, no fatalities occurred either on sea or land. While the typhoon was at its height it was in most parts of the Colony, an awe-inspiring sight and many of the scenes witnessed baffled description. The harbour was an inferno—wind, waves, mist and rain, in fearful and simultaneous action, proving that the typhoon was very close upon the Colony—if not actually on it. Fortunately the tide was not quite so high as it has been on similar occasions, thus preventing flooding. The Praya wharves, jetties and similar structures, however, received a terrific onslaught, tons of water dashing against the Star Ferry wharf, Blake Pier and other well-known buildings. Only warships and the most powerful of mercantile vessels were able successfully to cope with the encounter, and the best of these had to be fully alert to avoid disaster.

Many of the buildings, both on the Island and the mainland, have been damaged, but none to any very serious extent. Both in Victoria and in Kowloon a large number of trees were uprooted or otherwise mutilated and, of course, sign boards and all structures of a more or less fragile character were quickly the playthings of the typhoon's wrath. Wisely, the vast majority of those owning the smaller shops closed their premises in good time to avert disaster. They were profiting by past experience and also showing a sensible reliance upon the Observatory's warnings.

The typhoon did not last very long—less than three hours—but while it was with us everybody and everything was more or less affected. Householders prudently bolted and barred windows and made other parts of their premises as irrefragable as possible. Grim and violent "King Typhoon," therefore, did not have matters "all his own way," but he certainly did his utmost to be as potent as he possibly could. It was a wonderful experience, even to those to whom it was no novelty, and the Colony is lucky—(thanks, again, to the timely warnings)—that it is to-day not lamenting the effects of a disaster of a much more serious nature than actually occurred.

The case in which an unemployed Chinese is charged with wounding a married couple by means of a chopper was again mentioned at the Kowloon Magistrate's yesterday before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith. A week's formal remand was ordered.

### CURFEW ORDERED

MANY CHINESE EVACUATE MANCHULI

NINETY PER CENT. OF TOTAL

Tokyo, To-day. News from Manchuli is that the border situation is quiet but the local Chinese military authorities have ordered the curfew, prohibiting people from appearing in the streets after 10 p.m.

Nine thousand Chinese—which is 90 per cent. of the total population of Manchuli—have already left the city, because of the proximity of raiding and fighting.—Reuter.

**Russian Accusations**  
Moscow, Yesterday. The (official) Tass agency states "reports of raids on Soviet territory by China and brutal treatment of Soviet citizens in Manchuria has caused a fresh outburst of indignation on the part of workers in the Soviet Republic."

"Many meetings of workers have wholeheartedly approved the Government's demand for resolute measures to check those endeavouring to provoke war."

**Reds Join Up**

"Workers in a number of factories have decided to consider themselves mobilised and will appear for service in the Red Army at the first call."

"Peasants in villages have passed a resolution in favour of selling to the State all grain surpluses."

"Peasant youths are enrolling in the Red Army en masse."—Reuter.

**Troops for the Front**

Peking, Yesterday.

Foreign reports from Harbin and from Mukden indicate that the Manchurian railways will soon be crowded with troop trains moving to the frontiers.

Yesterday one Kirin division, in addition to 650 machine-guns with guns and 700 artillerymen with guns, left Kirin for Harbin. It is understood they will probably go to the eastern front.

Fifty thousand Fengtien troops will start moving to-morrow, travelling via Taonan. It is believed their destination is the Manchulian region.

**Pay for War Funds**

A military conference at Mukden has decided, in addition, to send three brigades of cavalry and two brigades of infantry, at present near Shanhaikwan, to the northern frontiers. The conference also decided that the Chinese troops along the borders at present should remain strictly on the defensive.

repelling Russian raids; also that the salaries of all officials in Manchuria be discounted 20 per cent., the proceeds to be used for military expenses.—Reuter.

**Railway Jurisdiction**

Peking, Yesterday.

The Japanese Legation spokesman this morning denied the truth of the report that Chinese troop trains from Kirin had been held up at Changchun by the Japanese refusing to allow them to proceed on the Chinese Eastern Railway via the Japanese station.

It is stated that Baron Shidehara (Japan's Foreign Minister) has informed the Chinese Minister at Tokyo that Japan is maintaining strict neutrality on the South Manchuria Railway and would, until otherwise instructed, carry Chinese troops, munitions, etc., as it carried other passengers and freight, upon payment at the prescribed rates.—Reuter.

**"Russians Tortured"**

Moscow, Yesterday.

It is reported from Harbin that the German Consul, Herr Stobbe (who is now also in charge of Russian interests) attempted recently to visit a group of Soviet citizens imprisoned and tortured by Chinese, but the authorities refused him admittance.—Reuter.

**Better Off Now**

Peking, Yesterday.

A message from Harbin states that it is reliably reported that the Chinese authorities are slightly improving the conditions under which several hundred arrested Russians are interned.

They have removed 500 men and women from one camp in Harbin suburbs, near the Sungari River, to more roomy quarters across the river.

It is reported that the food is still bad, but the authorities are now permitting friends and relatives of the internees to take them foodstuffs and comforts.

Thirty-nine persons arrested at the Soviet Consulate on May 27 are still imprisoned without trial. They have been informed that they will soon be told whether they will be set free or held longer for trial. Most of them are in bad health, and are under the care of the prison doctor.—Reuter.

**Negative Conference**

Tokyo, Yesterday.

A message from Changchun says that Mr. Tsai Yun-hsiang, the Foreign Commissioner of Harbin, who has been to Mukden to report to General Chang Hsueh-liang on the result of attempts to negotiate with the Soviet, passed through Changchun this morning for Kirin, and is expected to return to Harbin this evening.

Interviewed, Mr. Tsai stated that the results of the Mukden military conference were "negative." No

### CANTON'S PHONES

AUTOMATIC EXCHANGES OPENING

MUNICIPAL COMMISSION

Canton, Yesterday.

The Commission of Canton Municipal Administration will hold a reception at the Police Club in Sai-kwa-yuen on August 25 at 10 a.m., on the occasion of the formal opening of the automatic telephone service. The Administration consists of a committee of three members:—

Mr. C. F. Wong,

T. Y. Deane, Chief Engineer, and

K. Huang, Chief Accountant.

The duties of the Administration are to take charge of the Canton Automatic Telephone Exchange, the Fatsan Telephone Exchange, the Canton-Fatsan Long-Distance Exchange, and the winding-up of the old Telephone Exchange.

The foreign engineer-in-charge is Mr. A. E. Brander.

**\$6 a Month**

The office of the administration is at the old Telephone exchange building; the Engineering Department at Sai-kwa-yuen; and the Business Department at the Missions Building on the Bund.

The cost of installing an automatic telephone is \$350 and a deposit of \$100, local currency, total \$450. The former telephone deposit receipt may be used against the deposit mentioned, provided it is used within one month after the automatic telephones have been in operation.

The monthly fee for residences or private establishments is \$6 and for offices or business firms \$9.

The cost of the exchange building is \$50,000 local currency, and the machinery and wires \$350,000.

**"Oppressive Taxation"**

One of the results of the meeting of the Kwangtung United Associations which was held last week was the formation of a Society for the Cancellation of Oppressive Taxation. Representatives have been appointed to approach the Provincial Government and the Kuomintang to consider the matter of abolishing the many vexatious taxations that are handicapping trade of the province. Invitation will be issued to all local organisations to assemble together in order to discuss this important question of taxation.

**The Communist Army**

News has come from Swatow to the effect that Chu Mau, the Red leader, is now at Changping in Fukien. The men under him are said to be 4,000 strong who, however, possess only 2,700 rifles. The people of Changping have been subject to communist rule; for instance, those who possess 200 catties of rice or above that are compelled to bring it before headquarters for distribution; those who have below 200 catties are compelled to sell according to prevailing prices; all debts are to be cancelled; rice fields are given to farmers and labourers; all title deeds are burned; in fact the Communists at Changping have followed the same procedure of administration as they did at Lung-nan and Wing-ling, which are in the south-east corner of Fukien and which were once held by the communists.

Kwangtung, Fukien and Kiangsi have despatched troops to follow on the heels of the Reds. The Fukien troops are within 10 li of Changping. The Kwangtung troops are about 50 li and the Kiangsi troops about 80 li from their objective. They are now making forced marches towards the Reds. It is expected that within the next few days the Reds will be completely surrounded, and their extermination will follow as a matter of course.

**Financial Rehabilitation**

Since the position of Kwangtung province has become normal, the Commissioner of Finance, Mr. Fan Ki-mo, is planning to rehabilitate the financial problem which have arisen since the settlement of the war between the two Kwangs, such as the payment of provincial loans after the deduction of the army expenditure which is now reduced to \$2,500,000.

When the Finance Minister, Mr. T. V. Soong, was in Canton last, it will be remembered, he effected an understanding with the Provincial Government for the separation of provincial and national revenues. Under the heading of national revenues, imports like those of opium, opium, sugar, etc., have been entrusted to the Commissioner of Finance for collection.

**National Revenue**

The revenues collected during the month of July have been remitted to the National Treasury, accompanied by a request to the Minister of Finance to liquidate the loans contracted by the Provincial Treasurer, and it is reported that this request has been accepted to by the Ministry, which has sent an order for payment to the Provincial Treasury for the settlement of the foregoing loans. The receipts of the national revenues for July are as follows:

Likin ..... \$253,127.92

Opium ..... 67,214.00

Explosives Monopoly ..... 17,211.91

—Canton News Agency

strong measures were advocated, in spite of reports to the contrary.

Continuing, Mr. Tsai said the date of the opening of a formal Sino-Soviet conference was not yet fixed, but he considered it would be full of possibilities. He belittled the clashes on the frontier, and emphasised that actual hostilities had not broken out.—Reuter.

**Russia's Tea**

Moscow, Yesterday.

A semi-official statement detailing the Soviet's tea plans says that purchasing operations will be transferred from China to India, Ceylon, Java, Amsterdam and Japan.—Reuter.

[Following the Sino-Soviet dispute, Russia has ceased purchasing China tea.]

### THE REPARATIONS

WHAT THE "FOUR POWERS" ARE NOW ATTEMPTING

STILL PUZZLING

London, Yesterday.

At a subsequent meeting the delegates tried to thrash out the means of satisfying at least a part of the British demands.

One of the delegates, in a statement after the meeting, said that useful progress had been made.

The talks are being resumed this afternoon when the delegates will be joined by the German spokesman.

It is said that the delegates are of opinion that Germany should bear her share of the sacrifices agreed to by the four creditor Powers in order to secure Britain's assent to the young plan and that Germany should realise that it was indisputably her political and financial interest to go to the extreme limit in order to rescue the Young Plan from the rocks. Not until there was complete agreement among all the other delegates, could meetings be arranged with the British.

**A Ray of Hope**

The gloom was illuminated by a ray of hope when Herr Helfferding, the German Finance Minister joined in the afternoon's meeting of the four Powers. After two hours' discussion the meeting adjourned until later in the evening.

It is believed that Great Britain will be offered fresh proposals which will involve concessions on the part of Italy. Meanwhile, the work of organising the committees provided in the Young Plan is going on.

Sir Charles Addis and Sir Andrew M. C. Fadyean have arrived with regard to these.

**Request to Germany**

It is learned, authoritatively, that at the meeting this evening of the four creditor Powers, it was proposed that Germany renounce her claim to a share of the surplus of \$25,000,000 arising from overlapping of the Dawes and Young plans. This would yield interest amounting to \$1,250,000 yearly or over half of the British demands.

It is understood that Herr Helfferding rejected the proposal to-day but that discussion with him will continue to-morrow.

**"Fresh Proofs"**

Paris, Yesterday.

Fresh despatches from The Hague state that the financial representatives of the four creditor Powers all recognised that a failure of the Conference to be far more serious than the small extra sacrifices required to meet the British claims.

They declare that the Italian, Japanese and German financial representatives have "shown a disposition to give fresh proofs of their spirit of international collaboration" with the result that Great Britain will find most of her demands with regard to deliveries in kind agree to. It is stated that the creditor Powers have rejected Dr. Stresemann's request for the transitional adoption of the Young plan scale by Germany as from September 1, and hold that the Dawes plan must continue until the Young plan is actually enforced.—Reuter.

**Earlier Telegrams**

The Hague, Yesterday.

Following an hour's meeting to-day, the heads of the six delegations announced that private conversations are being resumed in an effort to reach a settlement, and the delegates will meet again to-morrow afternoon.

The British delegation denies that Mr. Snowden yesterday supported M. Briand's contention that Germany after September 1 will pay under the Dawes and not the Young plan.

It is learned that at the six-Power meeting M. Briand pointed out that to accept Germany's proposed arrangement that she pay for the next few months at least no more than stipulated in the Young plan, would mean that the conference was in extremis, which was not the case, and they must make a final effort to reach an understanding.

Mr. Adachi, Mr. Jaspard, Mr. Snowden, Mr. Henderson agreed, so the meeting adjourned. Dr. Stresemann's sole remark on emerging from the meeting was "general confusion."—Reuter.

### DISARMAMENT

U.S.A., GREAT BRITAIN AND

PARITY

FOR "POLICE DUTY"

Washington, Yesterday.

The solution of the Anglo-American Naval Disarmament problem is being considered by which the United States and Great Britain will have parity on 10,000 ton cruisers but Great Britain will be allowed to maintain a large number of small cruisers for "police duty" in connection with her colonies.—Reuter's American Service.

**Torcat's famous "troupe"**

of 60 game roosters are to make an early appearance at the Queen's Theatre. The "company" is headed by "Coco," the only rooster comedian in the history of the stage.

Irene Richards, a splendid cast of players in "Powder My Back," a sparkling comedy which will be shown on Sunday and Monday at the Queen's Theatre.



## IN THE WAKE OF THE TYPHOON

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the Yee Sang Fat building, above the flower vendors' stalls, which were also badly damaged.

The trees along Queen's-road, seemed to have suffered most from the wind, and branches, some quite big, were strewn about the road from the vicinity of the banks to as far east as Arsenal-street. One fairly large tree standing in the lane between Beaconsfield Arcade and the Murray Parade Ground was completely uprooted, and fell across Queen's-road, making the thoroughfare impassable to traffic until it was moved to the City Hall front by the Police.

Des Voeux-road was completely deserted, except for a few venturesome souls who had gone out to see the result of the blow. At about 2.45 p.m., the wind was still strong along Des Voeux-road, and it was difficult to make one's way along from the City Hall to even as near as the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank. Beside having to fight against the wind, one had to put up with a drenching, the water which had collected on the road being occasionally blown up in sprays which almost reached one's head.

**Middle Levels**  
The middle levels also suffered much damage, especially trees and window panes. The Botanical Gardens were a tangle of broken branches and fallen trees and it will mean considerable work for the Forestry Department before the garden can again assume its former shipshape appearance.

Generally ravine roared along its course like a river, whilst the pathway was also under at least one foot of water on account of the drains being stopped up by twigs and stones from the hillside. This was also the case in town and other localities visited, and the Police helped appreciably to drain the streets of water by removing as much of the obstruction as they could.

**Small "Lakes"**  
Some of the houses with grounds on the upper levels, appear as if they were standing in small lakes. "Fairview," in Robinson-road, was particularly affected in this way, and the water came pouring down the steep pathway leading up to the twin houses like a waterfall.

The compound of the Roman Catholic Cathedral and those of St. Joseph's Terrace and St. Joseph's Building were also under water but on account of the sloping nature of the approaches, they were quickly drained as soon as the rain stopped.

Conduit-road was obstructed in certain spots by trees which had fallen from the hillside. The Peak-road, at its junction with Robinson-road, was similarly affected, whilst bits of masonry from old walls also came down. Parts of a hoarding at the top of Garden-road, where some excavation work was in progress, were blown down, but the workmen on the site repaired the damage immediately the wind had abated.

## AROUND THE TOWN

Some More Effects of the Storm

On Murray Parade ground, there is a colossal pile of branches—a silent testimony to the terrific force of the wind blowing yesterday. A huge branch snapped away from an old tree just like a small twig fell on the first floor of Beaconsfield Arcade, on the Eastern side. The whole verandah railing was knocked away, and several lines of telephone wires were dislocated.

Another big chunk of tree fell on the verandah of the Officers' Mess at Murray Barracks, knocking down a portion of the railing.

In Statue Square no fewer than five trees were uprooted, and right along Queen's-road East, Chinese women and children were to be seen this morning busily picking up fallen trees, and dragging them home for fuel. Quite a rich harvest for "The Wreckers."

Practically all the temporary shacks and huts erected on the Praya East Reclamation were blown down, and signboards are to be seen hundreds of yards away from their respective hanging places.

**Roof Collapse**  
The Fire Brigade was called out to a roof collapse yesterday. The house where this roof was blown away was near the Koshing Theatre. No injury was sustained by the tenants.

The verandah of a house in Yee Wa-street, Bowrington, collapsed yesterday. Luckily no person was injured.

In Des Voeux-road Central the massive sign of the Instone Banking Corporation (in liquidation) is half suspended, as are numerous other signboards along Queen's-road-West.

At the premises of the Sun Company a number of the massive show windows were blown in. Three of the employees were injured by falling glass and removed to the hospital.

A fine tree in the lawn in front of Helena May Institute was blown down. The flagpole at Watson & Co., Alexandra Building, was also blown down.

## IN KOWLOON

Incidents Observed Here &amp; There

On reaching the Ferry on the Kowloon side yesterday at 11.15 (writes another eye-witness) the red flag was flying, showing that the Ferry would be stopped at any moment. But I was rather surprised at the signal being up as the black cone was still up. On enquiry of one of the ticket inspectors, however, he told me that the typhoon was very close. This I personally confirmed by reading the latest typhoon warning and comparing it with the "China Mail" typhoon chart.

I noticed that only the "Night Star" and the "Northern Star" were running because those two have awnings that can always be taken down very easily, whilst the other Ferries have wooden coverings that are handicapped against the wind and a rising tide.

**Bus Almost Overturns**  
Deciding to cross to Hong Kong I boarded a bus and proceed along Salisbury-road. At the junction of Nathan-road the bus nearly came a cropper. The vehicle suddenly was caught by a huge gust of wind and swerved dangerously to one side. Fortunately the driver had the presence of mind to accelerate speed, and by this means the bus soon righted itself much to the relief of the passengers.

In Nathan-road it was observed that branches of trees were snapping in all directions, and the pavements, gutters and the middle of the street were seen bespattered with foliage of all kinds.

**Ominous Bombs**  
Then were heard the ominous three explosive bombs accompanied, as it were, by a gust of greater violence than ever, causing rishtas to swerve, the pullers' hats to blow away, umbrellas to fly outside in and snap like matchwood—a pan-pomponium that caused a scare amongst pedestrians generally.

Proceeding rapidly along Nathan-road it was seen that the bamboos had been uprooted near the Orient Factory. A wooden shed near West View Building has been reduced to matchwood. Everywhere there were leaves of trees and debris of all kinds rapidly filling the gutters, whilst Chinese here already taking away pieces of branches and trees to be used as firewood.

**After the Storm**  
On returning to the ferry later in the afternoon it was noticed that the clock of the Railway Station has stopped at 3.15—it was then 5.5. The steamers were coming back from anchorage. A Douglas steamer was just passing Holt's Wharf, whilst a Jardine's steamer was just coming in from outside flying the quarantine flag.

On reaching the Hong Kong side the ferry had to leave the broadside on to the wharf, as the steps at the landing places had been broken and it was impossible for the Ferry to land passengers there.

## KAI TACK BASE

Little Damage Sustained: Hangars Untouched

Considering the fact that the R.A.F. Kai Tack Base is situated in the open, and that the hangars and other sheds are constructed wholly of matting material, the damage sustained was comparatively small. A number of the smaller structures that serve as wash houses and lavatories were damaged, their roofs in most cases being shattered or knocked about. The four large hangars, that house the entire fleet of aeroplanes withstood the fury of the gale and were not damaged to any appreciable extent. None of the aeroplanes was damaged.

As in other districts, a number of trees were destroyed in Kowloon City. The gale did not damage their village to any great extent, though some of the huts-dwellings of the villagers were destroyed. With the torrential rain that fell during the whole of the gale the Old City was flooded, in some places three feet deep.

**Kowloon Tong**  
Beyond the fact that a large majority of the houses were untouched—the remainder being damaged to the extent of a collapsed garden wall—there is nothing worth while mentioning as regards Kowloon Tong.

In the course of a tour of inspection carried out this morning, a "China Mail" representative noticed that a portion of the roof of house No. 454 was damaged, a large hole being made on the top half of the roof. Most of the gardens were damaged and in many cases the young and budding trees, besides the smaller plants, were totally destroyed. A great number of the

trees are leaning to one side, as if almost endeavouring to uproot themselves.

The roads in and around Kowloon Tong were not damaged, and as soon as the gale had swept over the Peninsula, the motor buses were at once able to resume their usual runs.

## PO HING THEATRE

\$10,000 Damage Sustained to Roof

The destruction of the roof of the Po Hing Theatre in Yaumati, except for the frame work, was the severest damage sustained in any one place on the mainland.

The roof, which appears to have been constructed mainly of sheets of asbestos, was completely ripped off, and when the storm had abated only a few sheets of the material (that had withstood the wind) still clung to the frame work.

The interior of the theatre was also damaged, but not half as seriously as the roof. Great pieces of plaster, that had crashed down from the ceiling, were scattered all over the seats, smashing a number of them. The theatre presented a dismal appearance, covered as it was with broken plaster and other debris.

Interviewed, one of the managing staff of the theatre said that the damage sustained to the roof was very considerable. It would, he said, cost something like \$10,000 to repair it. The decorated ceiling, our informant said, would be repaired (it having been pierced in several places). Indeed the ceiling presented a quaint scene, in that it appeared to have been holed by boulders dropped down from the sky!

## Nathan Road

As is generally the case, the trees along the whole length of Nathan-road suffered greatly. The road was littered with broken branches, and the gutters choked with leaves and twigs.

Situated next Rose Terrace on the vacant piece of ground besides the Taitaka Photo Studio, a huge tree, that had withstood more than one typhoon, met its Waterloo yesterday, being completely uprooted. It fell across the doorway of the studio, blocking completely the exit of the inmates of the house. It was just as well that the tree did not fall on the roof of the photographers shop or quite a different story might have to be told! All yesterday, until quite late in the evening, the Forestry Department were sawing the tree, and it was not until the pavement had been effectively cleared that the Forestry men ceased their labours.

Mody, Peking, Chatham, Granville-roads all suffered slight damage in the form of injured trees. The Military mule sheds belonging to the Royal Army Mule Corp were much affected. In most cases the roofs were shorn of most of the matting material.

**In Yaumati**  
A vegetable stall in Waterloo-road, in the district commonly known as Vegetable Market, was utterly wrecked. Curiously enough other stalls in the vicinity were not damaged to any appreciable extent.

An advertisement hoarding near the Tai Yat Theatre (and opposite the Yaumati Police Station) was blown down. Several of the trees that made Public Square-street so picturesque were damaged.

## WATER POLICE STATION

Foliage on Banking

The trees that surround the Water Police Station suffered great damage, a large number of branches being snapped in twain. The trees were deprived of most of their "coats" and the ground for some considerable distance around was covered with fallen leaves.

## GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

Roof of a House Carried Away

Damage to Government property was, on the whole, not of great importance.

Several Government houses on the Peak suffered in one way or another and at least one of the residences occupied by high officials was flooded badly.

The roofs of the houses on the Peak in which His Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), Mr. D. W. Trautman (Assistant Colonial Secretary), and Mr. A. G. W. Tickle (Technical Secretary to the Hon. the Director of Public Works) live were damaged.

"Pinewood," the house in the now disused Pinewood Battery, off the top of Nathan-road, in the north-west of Hong Kong, in an exposed position, suffered much damage. The roof was carried away in the storm, and the lady occupant (to whom the house is let) could not pass the night in the house.

The roof of the Warders' Quarters, between Arbuthnot-road, and

Wyndham-street, suffered considerable damage, many tiles being blown into Wyndham-street.

## POLICE REPORTS

Review of the General Damage

Police reports on the effects of the typhoon were as under:—  
Central district.—Plate glass windows of shops in Queen's-road were broken. Trees were blown down in Queen's-road, Garden-road, Lower and Upper Albert-roads, and in Statue Square.

Emergency water pipes on the water front, between the Harbour Office and the Douglas Wharf were broken and washed across the Praya into the sea. The Tung On Wharf, the Po Tak Wharf, the Shamshui Ferry Wharf, the Chiu On Wharf and the Yuen Wharf, along the Connaught-road water front all suffered damages to their roofs.

Telephone wires were blown down in Battery Path. An electric cable broke in Old Bailey. Gas lamps were put out of order in Macdonnell and Bowen-roads. The roof of No. 24, Connaught-road Central collapsed. No one was injured.

**At the Central**  
At Central Police Station damage was done to the roof of the quarters of Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Deputy Superintendent of Police, and Mr. T. Murphy, Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence. Some panes of glass were also broken.

Electric fittings and glass were broken at the Central Police Station and Police Headquarters. A large electric light in the compound was broken, and some telephone wires broke.

**On The Peak**  
The Peak.—The roof of the verandah of the Sub-station was blown down. The south end of the Summer Quarters, and parts of the wall of the cable house collapsed, whilst mosquito wire netting on doors and windows were blown away.

**At the Gough Hill Police Station**  
Zincing were broken on the east side, and doors of the garage were broken, also a window frame and door of the servants' quarters.

**Matsheds Collapse**  
Several matsheds collapsed on the Peak as follows:—

One at the junction of Barker and Stubbs-roads, owned by the Yun Tai firm of contractors. No one was injured.

Two at No. 250, The Peak, owned by the Lam Dor firm of contractors. No one was injured.

One behind the chair shelter on Stubbs-road, owned by the Liu Tun firm of contractors. No one was injured.

**Trees Down**  
Two trees were uprooted on Lugard-road, which is closed to traffic. Two other trees fell between No. 6, Police Station and Mountain Lodge.

Telephone wires broke at different points on the Peak, whilst a dozen street lamps were put out of order.

**Middle Levels**  
A telephone box at the junction of Conduit and Robinson-roads was broken. Three trees fell on Robinson-road, outside house Nos. 20, 73 and 123, causing obstruction to traffic. These were subsequently removed.

Two trees fell on Conduit-road, one opposite house No. 4, and the other near the Marble Hall.

**West Point**  
Electric wires were broken, and fell across Queen's-road West. The roof and walls of No. 13, Third-street, used as a dwelling, are reported by Ngai Fai, a tallyman, to be in a state of collapse. The P.W.D. were informed. They took charge of the premises, warned the inmates to clear out, and then put in shoring.

A number of trees on the Pokfulam, Aberdeen and Victoria-roads were blown down, causing obstruction to traffic.

The wooden cover of emergency water tanks on the water front between Kennedy Town and Queen's-street was blown away.

The roof of the opium factory at Kennedy Town was damaged, and the Kennedy Town Police Station suffered slight damage, some glass being broken.

**Aberdeen**  
The telephone at Aberdeen Police Station is out of order.

Acting Sub-Inspector A. V. Baker, officer in charge of Aberdeen Police Station, has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a cut wrist caused by broken glass whilst securing the windows at the station.

The San Cheung Lee shop, on the Main-street, at Aberdeen, collapsed. Two persons were injured, a man named Cheung Po (68), and a youth named Cheung Ho (16). Both have been taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

The concrete gate at the Chinese Permanent Cemetery, Aberdeen, was blown down, whilst a part of the seawall along the Main-road collapsed into the harbour.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

## NOTICE.

HONG KONG WATERWORKS.

PEAK SUPPLY

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that commencing on SATURDAY, 24th instant, the Supply to the Peak will be turned on daily from 6 a.m.—6 p.m. in All Districts.

HAROLD T. CREAMY, Water Authority. Public Works Department, Hong Kong, 22nd August, 1929.

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The ceilings of the quarters and charge room of Aberdeen Police Station were badly damaged. The charge room was flooded with water.

**Wanchai**  
Many trees were blown down in the district, principally on Stubbs, Bowen and Broadwood-roads, in Wong-nel-chong, and at Praya East.

Telephone wires were broken and glass smashed at No. 2, Police Station.

The roof of the outhouse of the Wanchai Gap Police Station was damaged.

The matshed of the On Cheung timber yard, on the reclamation at Praya East was blown down. An Indian watchman named Bishan Singh (53) was injured, and taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Another patient taken to the Government Civil Hospital from Wanchai, was Ngai Fun-man (14), a foki of the Li Tak matshed on the Praya East reclamation. He was injured in the collapse of the On Cheung matshed.

The Sergeant of the Royal Naval Yard Police, on duty last night, reported at 4 a.m., that a body was floating in the harbour off the Dockyard. A Police launch was immediately sent out, but failed to locate the body.

**Shaukiwan**  
A Chinese named Chi Nin (44), employed at the Fung Keong Rubber Co., was fatally injured during the height of the gale. He was blown down whilst walking near the old Shaukiwan tram terminus, and severely injured on the right side of the head. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died at 12.30 a.m. to-day.

The roof and verandah of the Tsachimui Police Station was damaged, whilst the water, telephone, and light services were out of order.

At the Shaukiwan Police Station only slight damage was suffered. Some panes of glass being broken.

Tee Shiu, storekeeper, of the ground floor of No. 2, Kwong U-street, reported that the roof of the building, used as a godown, had collapsed. No one was injured. The P.W.D. has been informed and have undertaken the work of clearing the debris.

**Teimehatsui**  
Not much damage was done in the district. Trees suffered more or less. Some were blown down, causing obstruction to thoroughfares, but were all cleared before dark.

No serious damage was done to buildings.

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Items in the pages of local news include those concerning soldiers of the Hong Kong garrison who have got into trouble, another Marine Court of Inquiry, seizure of an unusually large parcel of arms and ammunition on a coastal steamer, holding of the Criminal Sessions, and further improvement in the water situation with contingent relaxation of restrictions.

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## IN THE WAKE OF THE TYPHOON

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Some windows were broken at the Water Police Station. A part of the chimney broke, and tiles fell from the roof. Trees and fallings in the compound were blown down.

**Yaumati**  
No damage was done to the Police Station, except some broken panes of glass.

The fisha shelter outside the Yaumati ferry wharf collapsed. No one was injured.

**Mongkoktsui**  
The walls of No. 16, Kremer-street, a dwelling, collapsed, bringing down the first and second floors. Fortunately no one was in the place at the time. The debris is being removed, and neighbouring houses have been shored up.

No other damage was reported. The Police Station did not suffer.

**Hungghom**  
Very little damage has been reported. A few panes of glass were broken at the Police Station and in some houses in the district. Some telephone wires also broke.

**Kowloon City**  
Panels of glass were broken at the Police Station. Six matcheds belonging to the Sang Lee firm of contractors were blown down at Ngau-shi-wan. No one was injured.

Three matcheds on the Saikung-road collapsed. No casualty.

Two matcheds owned by the Foo Loong firm of contractors, at Ma-taukok were blown down. No one was injured.

Electric and telephone wires broke, mostly in Wang-sueet and on the Saikung-road.

The garden walls of houses Nos. 36, 103, 200, 232, 260, 289 and 306, Kowloon Tong collapsed, but the damage was not great, and there were no casualties.

A wall of the Mee Wah Knitting Factory on Kam-tung-road collapsed. The roof of the Tong On Teashed on Prince Edward-road, was blown away.

The wall of the yard of the Sung Wong Toi restaurant fell into the kitchen, making a hold in the wall. No one was injured.

Three matcheds collapsed in Kowloon Tong. No casualties.

### SIGNAL HILL

Extensive Damage Done to the Mast

A "China Mail" reporter this morning went to the Signal Hill, Kowloon, to see the damage done by the snapping of the typhoon and depression mast, which occurred yesterday afternoon at about two o'clock.

Approaching an assistant of the Station, who has been for 32 years there, the "Mail" man was told that this was the second time that the mast had broken since the severe typhoon of 1906, which he recalled.

Asked by the reporter how the mast snapped he said that it was caused by the wind blowing from the South-East, which was the strongest, and of typhoon force, that did it. Had it been from the North-West, the damage would have been serious; in fact, it would in all probability have resulted fatally, because his family lived in a bungalow adjoining the lighthouse, which also would have been smashed.

The mast, made of mild steel, and weighing 7,000 lbs., bent over with a crack at 2.15 p.m., taking with it the symbols that were displayed on the yard arms to their end, smashing several others that were on the mast's base. The yard arms were broken in four parts.

Our informant went on to say that a new mast will be required, and that it would cost something in the region of \$3,000 and \$5,000.

Hundreds of dollars damage has been sustained by the warning symbols, which are said to cost \$10 each.

The smaller mast, which flies the ships' flags as they enter the harbour, was not damaged, as the yard-arm was lowered, and this made it easier for the pole to stand erect.

### FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

The clock-tower at the Kowloon Railway Station up to the present is not functioning, the four faces still reading 3.15 p.m. The tower was in darkness last night, while repairs were being carried out.

The P.W.D. drain pipe storage in Middle-road, Kowloon, had one side of its wooden fencing blown in.

The scaffolding at the new buildings being erected next to Wing Lok Building, on the old site of Victoria Gardens, suffered a little.

Calling in at the office of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., Ltd., a "Mail" reporter was informed that no mishap had happened to any of the Company's buses during the storm yesterday.

It was strange to observe that the Yaumati Ferries resumed running before the Star Ferries after the storm had abated.

A large number of cardboard boxes in a knitting factory in Nathan-road were shot out of the windows like

## MONEY AND SHARES

### TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

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On New York—	
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On Calcutta—	
Wire .....	129 3/4
On demand .....	129 3/4
On Singapore—	
On demand .....	83 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand .....	94
On Shanghai—	
On demand .....	82 1/4
30 days' sight (private paper) .....	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand .....	99 1/4
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) .....	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) .....	10.00
Silver (per oz.) .....	24 7/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong .....	3% dis.
Copper Cash .....	Nominal
Copper Cents .....	3% Prem.
Rate of Native Interest .....	7% p.a.
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feathers and scattered in all directions.

Shamshupo was in darkness all night, owing to the breakdown of the electric light, in spite of the fact that the China Light and Power Co. have a depot in Laichikok-road.

A large number of huts near the ginger factory in Shamshupo, on the Tai-po-road, were levelled to the ground, but fortunately no casualties were reported amongst the inmates.

At a new house in Sassoon-road a match was carried away.

A number of matcheds at Stanley beach were likewise blown down.

In Macdonnell-road a boulder is reported to have crashed through the kitchen of a house.

At the corner of Tytam reservoir a number of matcheds have been razed.

A part of the roof of the Hong Kong Electric Co. house on the Peak was lifted off, and the windows of the Government pavilion blown out.

The front row of matcheds at Repulse Bay suffered badly, coming down like a pack of cards.

The Kwong Wah Hospital garden in Waterloo Road was seriously damaged, the trees and plants suffering tremendously.

The steps at the entrance of the garden to Waterloo Road were washed away, while another entrance facing the hospital, was impassable, owing to debris.

One side of the galvanised iron enclosure of the W.D. Children's playground, near the new Chinese Y.M.C.A. Building in Waterloo Road, was blown down. The match was demolished.

The stand erected in the premises of the Victoria Recreation Club for the night fete, were blown into the bath.

### AT CHEUNG CHAU

Roofs of Verandahs Blown Away

At Cheung Chau yesterday there was in the early morning a lovely sunrise with no indication of the weather being anything but what could be expected with No. 1 signal up.

All the usual passengers went to the ferry for Hong Kong, but a wave of the hand from the coxswain indicated that the ferry would not run that day.

It was fairly calm up to about 11 a.m. It increased from the N.W. up to 1.30 and from then to 2.10 it was absolutely calm. During that time the rain came down in "sheets."

From 2.10 the wind blew with intense force from the S.W. until about 3.30, when it eased off, and at 4 there was no wind to speak of, and the residents were out inspecting the damage.

**Extent of the Damage**  
There was damage done to Nos. 1 and 8. The roofs of the verandahs were blown away, as well as the chimneys. The other houses only suffered minor damage. Trees were blown down all over the island.

The Cheung Chau ferries did not run yesterday, but resumed the service at 7.40 this morning, when the sea was like a mirror.

The lowest barometer reading was 28.65 corrected.

The whole of Cheung Chau suffered from a fall of pine needles (whiskers of the pine trees) caused

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In 1906 a terrible typhoon struck the Colony without warning and, in less than two hours, 10,000 Chinese had been drowned and 15 Europeans, including the Anglican Bishop (the Rt. Rev. Hoare). Over 2,400 native craft were reported lost and 141 European vessels and launches foundered or were badly damaged.

A Chinese was sentenced to one month's hard labour at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith for the theft of a quantity of preserved fruit from a villager at Pau Ka Pang, Sham Shui Po.

The wedding of Mr. Alexander Pauls Hunter, of Ayr, Scotland, and Miss Grace Margaret John, of Singapore, took place in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore.

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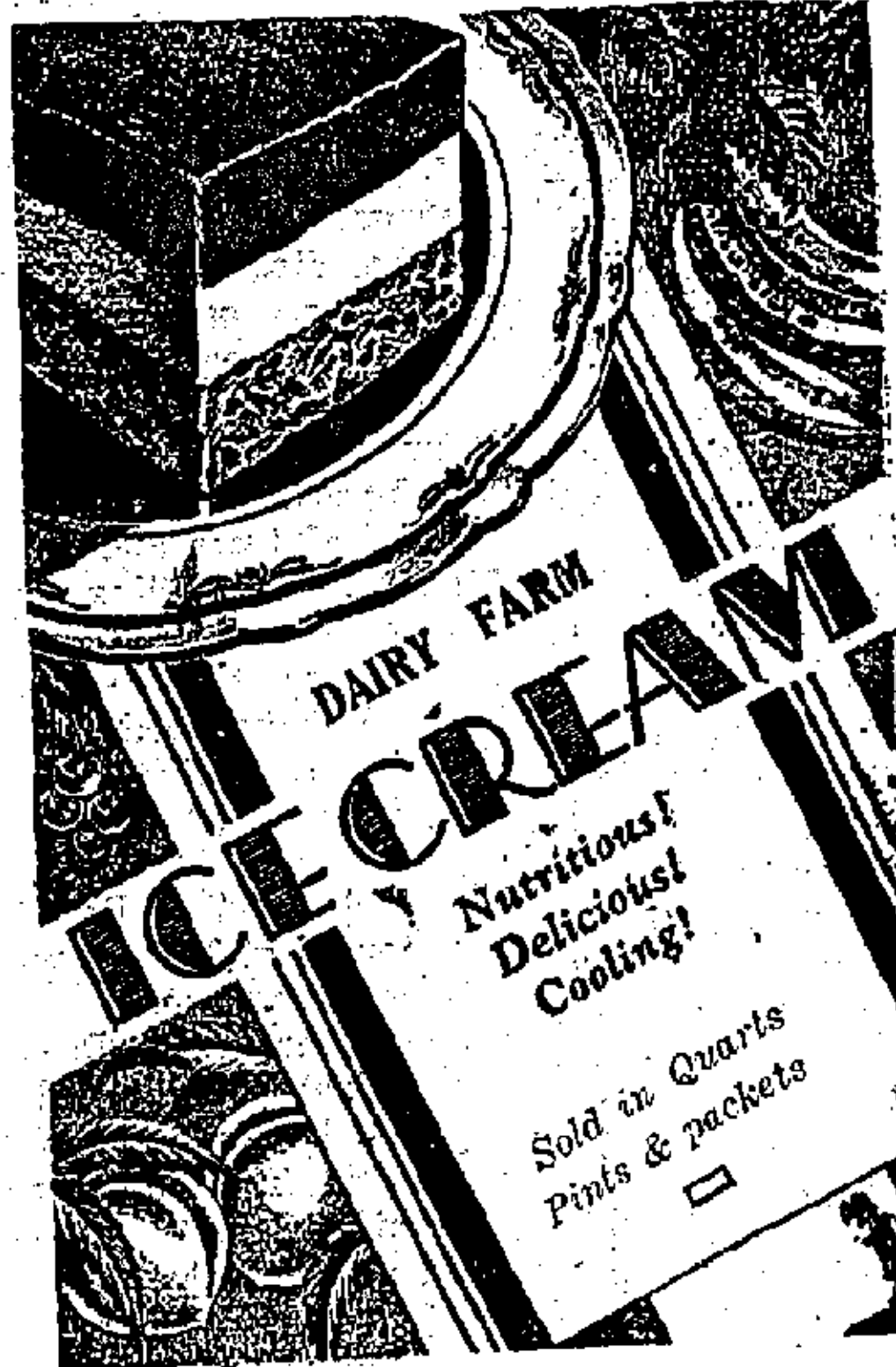
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# Sport Columns

## ONLY ONE LEFT

### BRITISH WOMEN IN U.S. TENNIS SINGLES

#### BETTY NUTHALL LOSES

Forest Hills, Yesterday. Only one British lady remains in the women's singles of the U.S. lawn tennis championship, the others having been defeated in the earlier rounds. In addition to Mrs. M. Watson, who is still in, Miss Betty Nuthall and Mrs. Michell (nee Miss Peggy Saunders) took part in the fourth round. "Betty" was defeated in two sets by Mrs. Mallory and Mrs. Michell secured only one game off the redoubtable Helen Wills. Fourth round results were:—

Miss Helen Wills (U.S.A., the champion) defeated Mrs. Michell (Britain) 6-0, 6-1.

Miss Helen Jacobs (U.S.A., runner-up to Miss Wills at Wimbledon) defeated Miss M. Greef (U.S.A.) 6-2, 6-2.

Mrs. Mallory (U.S.A.) defeated Miss Betty Nuthall (Britain) 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. M. Watson (Britain) defeated Miss Edith Cross (U.S.A.) 2-6, 6-1, 6-3.—Reuter's American Service.

## "UMPIRE JONES"

### P.G.H. FENDER AND OFFICIALS IN AUSTRALIA

When Duckworth, the English wicket-keeper in the recent Australian Tests, gave his version of the famous Kippax incident on returning home, he criticised the umpiring, and went so far as to suggest that for international tours of this kind a certain amount of English umpiring should be introduced.

In P.G.H. Fender's book on the tour, the Surrey captain mentions "Umpire Jones" quite frequently. Fender pays a great tribute to the umpiring of Hele, but adds:—Elder, who umpired in the first four Tests, gave, I believe, satisfaction to the Englishmen without being credited with infallibility, but in the fifth Test he was replaced by Jones, and the change did not seem to be for the better. No one, I think, will ever be able to fathom the reason for the running out decision in favour of Ryder in the second innings; and I believe it is a fact that, while paying many tributes to the decisions that Hele gave, there were several occasions when bowlers thought themselves exceptionally unlucky in their appeals to Jones.

Tate and Duckworth. Other references are contained in Fender's review of the Fifth Test match which England lost. Tate and Duckworth had a very confident appeal for l.b.w. answered by Umpire Jones in the negative in the second over. On the seventh morning, England again started full of life and go, and Tate and Duckworth again appealed to Jones once in each of Tate's two opening overs, for l.b.w. but each time with the same negative result. Tate had another negative response from Jones for l.b.w., in which Duckworth had joined wholeheartedly.

Of "one of the most inexplicable things I have ever seen on a cricket field," Fender says:

Leyland . . . threw the wicket down with Ryder apparently a long way out. Umpire Jones again negatived the appeal, however, to the obvious amazement, not only of all the players, but even of many of the crowd, for a dead silence reigned for some seconds, followed by a buzz of conversation. It would seem as if the only possible explanation must have been that he was mesmerised by the ball, and failed to move or look to see where Ryder was.

## GOLF CLUB

The Bogeys Competition at Fanning on August 17 and 18 and the Adamson Cup Qualifying Competition at Happy Valley from August 9 to 20 were both cancelled for lack of sufficient entries.

## BASEBALL

### SCHEDULE FOR THE 1929 SEASON

The following is the official schedule for the 1929 season issued by the Baseball Association:—

Saturday, August 24.—South China vs. Japanese.

Sunday, August 25.—Baseball Club vs. Filipino Club.

Saturday, August 31.—Baseball Club vs. Kioras.

Sunday, September 1.—Japanese Club vs. Filipino Club.

Saturday, September 7.—South China vs. Filipino Club.

Sunday, September 8.—Japanese Club vs. Kioras.

Saturday, September 14.—Japanese Club vs. Baseball Club.

Sunday, September 15.—Kioras vs. South China.

Saturday, September 21.—Filipino Club vs. Kioras.

Sunday, September 22.—Baseball Club vs. South China.

Saturday, September 28.—Kioras vs. South China.

Sunday, September 29.—Japanese Club vs. Baseball Club.

Saturday, October 5.—Baseball Club vs. South China.

Sunday, October 6.—Filipino Club vs. Kioras.

Saturday, October 12.—Japanese Club vs. Kioras.

Sunday, October 13.—South China vs. Filipino Club.

Saturday, October 19.—Japanese Club vs. Filipinos Club.

Sunday, October 20.—Baseball Club vs. Kioras.

Saturday, October 26.—Baseball Club vs. Filipino Club.

Sunday, October 27.—South China vs. Japanese Club.



Rene La Coste, French tennis ace.

## BILLIARDS

### GREAT MASTERS OF THE CUE AT PLAY

#### ABNORMAL EXHIBITIONS

Sydney, July 18. Yesterday's play in the billiards match at the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Pitt-street, was phenomenal. Willie Smith (Eng.), and Walter Lindrum (August), followed each other with breaks over 1,000. Three visits, one unfinished, yielded 3,233.

Lindrum now leads with 6,466 (in play with 416), against Smith's 5,574. During the evening session Lindrum failed to carry on from 1,434; 27 short of his world's record break. Smith replied with 1,383, and Lindrum completed the session. It was a display of most masterful billiards.

The hall was crowded when the afternoon session began. Smith was in play, and carried his overnight break to 330. Then there were several great surprises. Lindrum failed to score on two visits to the table, and the Englishman, by beautiful all-round play, made 105 and 297, and broke down less than 100 behind the Australian in trying to get the red into position for a winner. He left an awkward position. Lindrum made 253, lost the white, and left the Englishman a double baulk. Smith nearly brought off a wonderful all-round cannon, missing by a fraction of an inch.

Lindrum then began one of the most remarkable exhibitions of billiards that has been seen in Australia. Gradually he worked into position for nursery cannons. He exploited this method of scoring to the limit. Three times before he reached 700 he had taken the balls to the left-hand middle pocket, without disturbing their relative positions, and it appeared that, however difficult were the positions developing through the long series of nursery cannons, he was always by brilliant shots, which won loud applause, able to restore the position at his desire.

He gave an exhibition of nursing the balls, which has probably never been excelled in Australia. Indeed, Lindrum himself was obviously disconcerted at times by the enthusiastic applause which greeted some of the wonderful shots by which he extricated himself from positions which seemed hopeless. But it was not only in nursery cannons that he excelled. In all round strokes, in the delicacy of touch in some of his losing hazards, in the accuracy of his run through shots, he showed himself to be one of the most accomplished billiard players in the world. Hundred followed hundred. When he reached 1,000 there was a tumultuous scene.

Lindrum himself was obviously affected by the prolonged applause. Willie Smith, who during the long break had sat inconspicuously among the spectators, rushed from his seat, seized Lindrum by the hand and warmly congratulated him. When the enthusiasm had subsided, Lindrum started again to score, but, for a considerable period, he played with extra care, having evidently been disconcerted by the prospects of a match record and the warm appreciation of his effort. Then followed equally brilliant play. Every possible means of scoring was exploited, and when the balls were worked into position for nursery cannons, he used them as far as the rules permitted. He was still able to run them along the top cushion and back again. When the end of the session arrived he was still in play, although the position seemed an impossible one, the three balls being in line and almost touching.

#### Evening Session

Lindrum essayed a very difficult masse stroke and failed. The scores then were:—Lindrum 6,051, Smith 4,191.

Smith started on a break in which every shot was exploited. He preferred the open game—seemed to be pleased to get into difficulty, but could not find it. "Is there a position from which the English champion cannot extricate himself?" was the question when he still had 900 to "make up." From hundred to hundred he went, certain in all his hazards, always in control of the second object ball.



Georges Carpentier, late French light heavyweight champion.



Georges Carpentier, late French light heavyweight champion.

Smith has a habit, when playing long cannons, of securing ideal position for the shots ahead. His run throughs were uncanny.

It was his turn while Lindrum sat on the second tier of a smoke-ringed dais. Open play and a thousand! When four figures were in sight the crowd was hushed. There was a whisper here and there regarding the objective of the next shot. "One thousand break" called the marker. Lindrum rose to congratulate Smith, who went on. His game seemed to develop. There was variety. It became a question of error. When would Smith be at fault?

At 1,200 he was faced with a round the table cannon. He smiled as he got it. The cue ball struck the right jaw of the top left-hand pocket, jawed again, and rolled on to cannon. Suspiciously like a fluke. But still Smith played the open game.

Mechanical accuracy had marked the two big breaks of the day. But the machine could not last for ever. Smith broke down at 1,383, miscuing when using the rest at a losing hazard. Two visits to the table had yielded 2,817.

Lindrum followed. His effort was colourful. Easy shot followed easy shot. Rarely was he left in position to make a stroke which would present difficulty to the amateur. It was not until he had reached 280 that he established nursery position, and held it until the end of the session.

## WATER RETURN

### Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on August 1, 1929:—

#### CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

	1928	1929
Tytam . . . . .	25' 7" B	L
Tytam Byewash . . . . .	19' 9" B	L
Tytam Intermediate . . . . .	L	7' 10" B
Tytam Tuk . . . . .	1' 0" B	5' 7" 9" B
Wong Nei Chung . . . . .	26' 9" B	0' 5" B
Pokfulum . . . . .	27' 9" B	L

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow."]

Storage in million and decimals of gallons.

	1928	1929
Tytam . . . . .	202.95	384.50
Tytam Byewash . . . . .	2.83	22.37
Tytam Intermediate . . . . .	195.90	154.42
Tytam Tuk . . . . .	1,383.00	383.00
Wong Nei Chung . . . . .	5.72	29.81
Pokfulum . . . . .	11.06	66.00

Total . . . . . 1,811.46 1,040.40

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of July.

	1928	1929
Consumption . . . . .	317.06	124.19*
Estimated population 423,950		434,280
Consumption per head per day . . . . .	24.1	9.2

\* Includes 2.73 M.G. from Tai-koo; 12.28 M.G. from Kowloon; 7.42 M.G. from Tsan Wan and 10.09 M.G. from steamers, etc.

Full supply in all Rider Main Districts during July, 1929, from 1st to 11th intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts West of Eastern Street only from 12th to 14th and intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts West of Garden Road from 15th to 31st July.

July, 1929.

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## KOWLOON WATER WORKS

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir . . . . .	210' B	0' 11" B
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir . . . . .	0' 2" B	20' 5" B
Reception Reservoir . . . . .	4' 2" B	L

Storage in million and decimals of gallons.

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir . . . . .	323.56	342.97
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir . . . . .	115.42	46.55
Reception Reservoir . . . . .	22.57	33.15

Total . . . . . 461.55 422.67

Consumption of water in Kowloon during the month of July.

	1928	1929
Consumption . . . . .	117.97	93.29*
Estimated population 166,120		171,160
Consumption per head per day . . . . .	22.9	17.5

\* Does not include water sent to Hong Kong but includes 0.49 M.G. from Tsan Wan.

Full supply in all districts during July, 1929.

Constant supply in all district during July, 1929.

From 1st-16th inclusive the daily supply in all districts was 6 a.m.-6 p.m. From 17-31st inclusive a constant supply was operated in all districts.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall to July 31, 1929, 53.06; 1929, 37.09.

## STANDARD TIME.

### SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN COLONY

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for August (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follow:—

	Sunrise	Sunset
August . . . . .	a.m.	p.m.
23 . . . . .	6.02	6.49
24 . . . . .	6.02	6.48
25 . . . . .	6.03	6.47
26 . . . . .	6.04	6.46
27 . . . . .	6.04	6.45
28 . . . . .	6.04	6.44
29 . . . . .	6.04	6.43
30 . . . . .	6.05	6.42
31 . . . . .	6.05	6.41

William Davis, a Dartmoor convict, was at Tavistock Police Court committed for trial on a charge of wounding Robert Evans, another convict, with a safety razor.

Mr. Clynes the Home Secretary, announced in Parliament that he is not prepared to consider legislation prohibiting the payment of transfer fees for professional footballers.

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#### THE "BLUE ROCKET"

London, Yesterday. According to the newspapers, the greatest speed ever attained in the air has been reached by Flying Officer Waghorn.

It was whilst making a practice flight at Southampton for the Schneider Cup Race that Flying Officer Waghorn attained the phenomenal speed of nearly 350 miles an hour.

His machine was a super-marine Rolls Royce monoplane, named the "Blue Rocket."—Reuter.

## Unlucky American Entry

New York, Yesterday. The fumes of his 24-cylinder engine 40-day affected Lt. Williams, the American Schneider Cup candidate. He was rendered unconscious for nearly five minutes when trying to take off in his Mercury racer on a test flight.

Luckily, the pilot switched off before he was overcome. He made two unsuccessful attempts to start yesterday.—Reuter's American Service.

## NEWSPAPERS COMBINE

Chicago, Yesterday. It was announced to-day that the old-established Chicago "Daily Journal" has been absorbed by the Chicago "Daily News."—Reuter's American Service.

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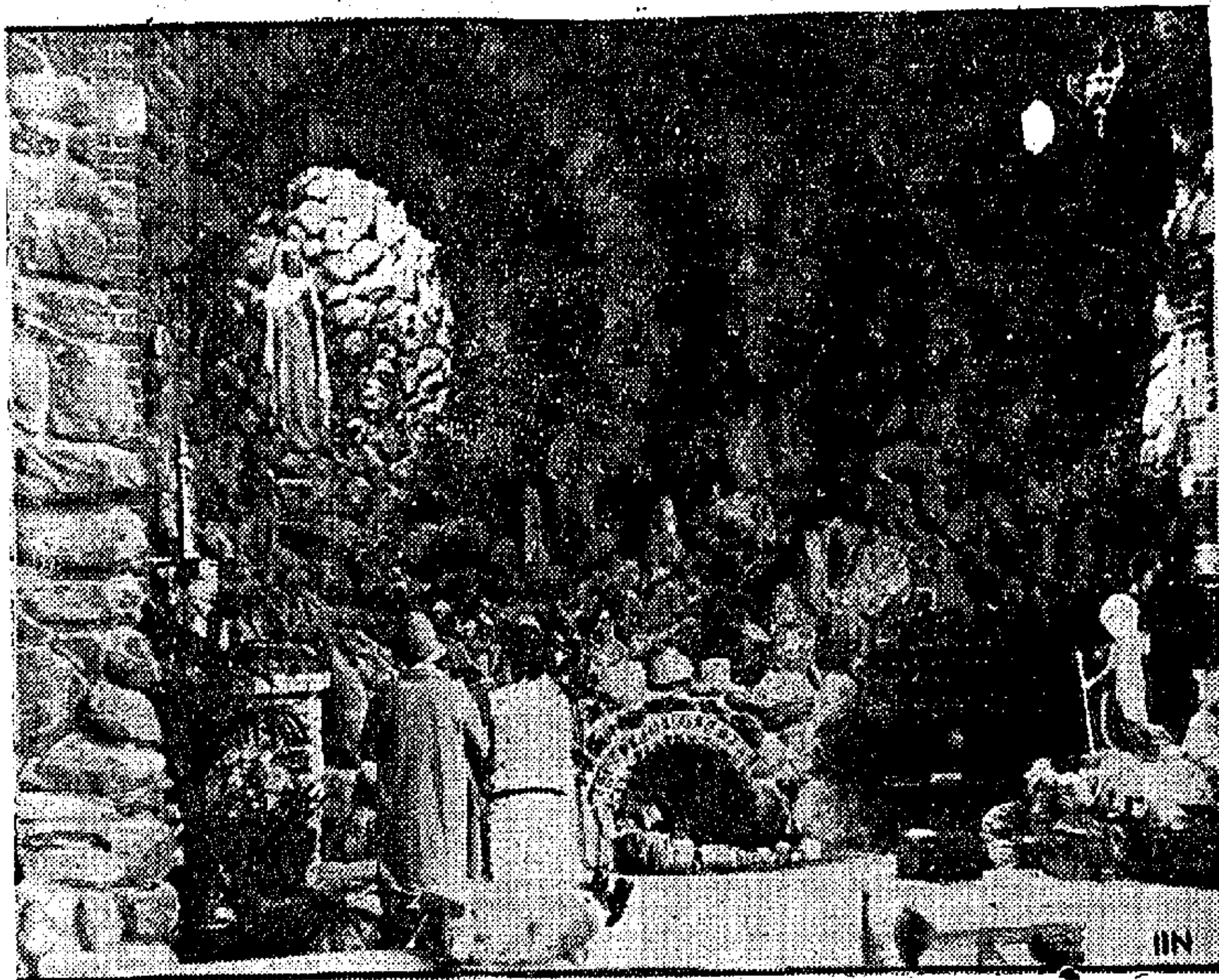
# World News In Pictures

Has Clara "It"? Ask Richman



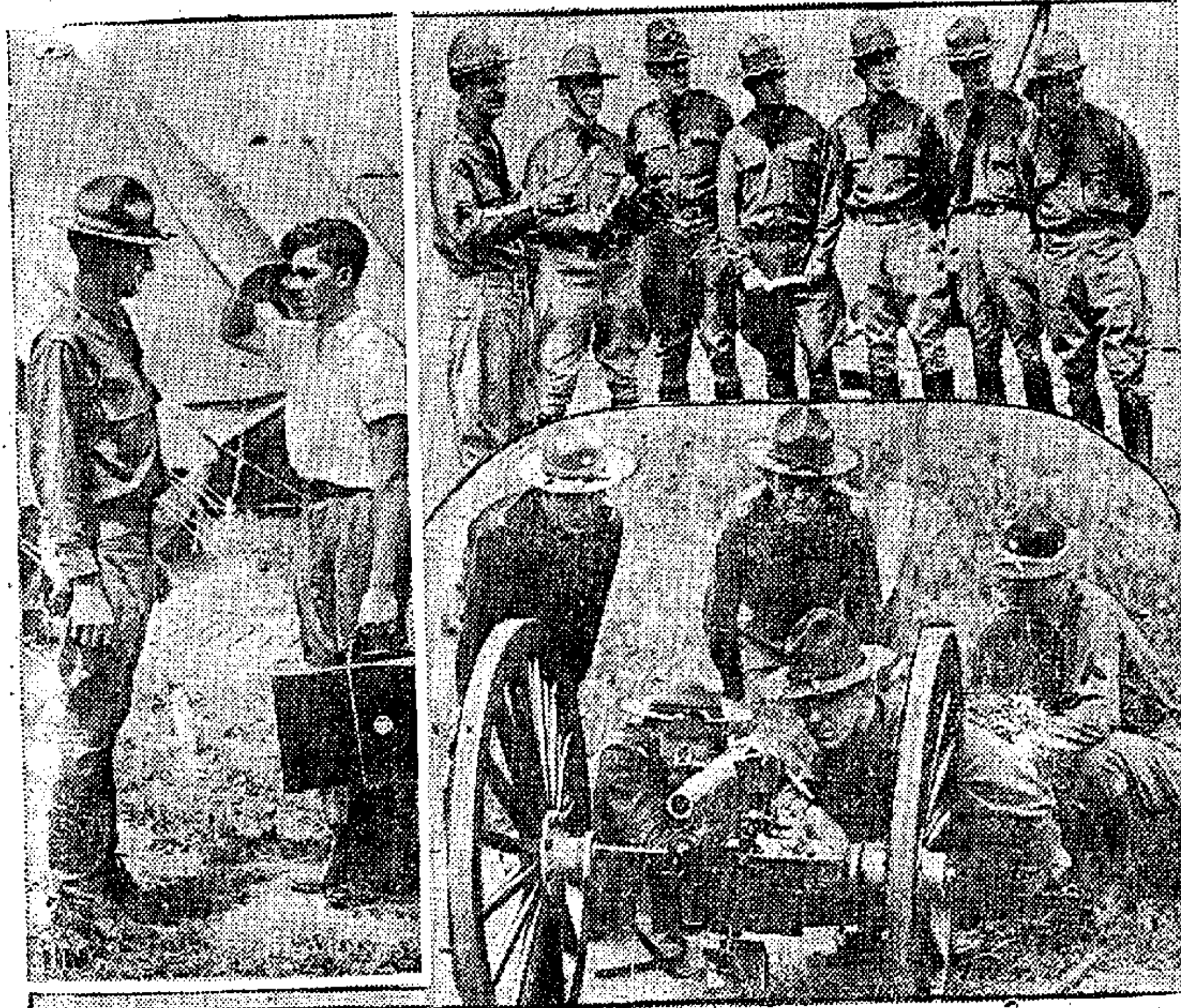
This is the first photo of Clara Bow, screen star, to be made with Harry Richman, Broadway night club owner, from whom she received a beautiful \$10,000 engagement ring at a surprise party in Los Angeles.

New Lourdes Shrine



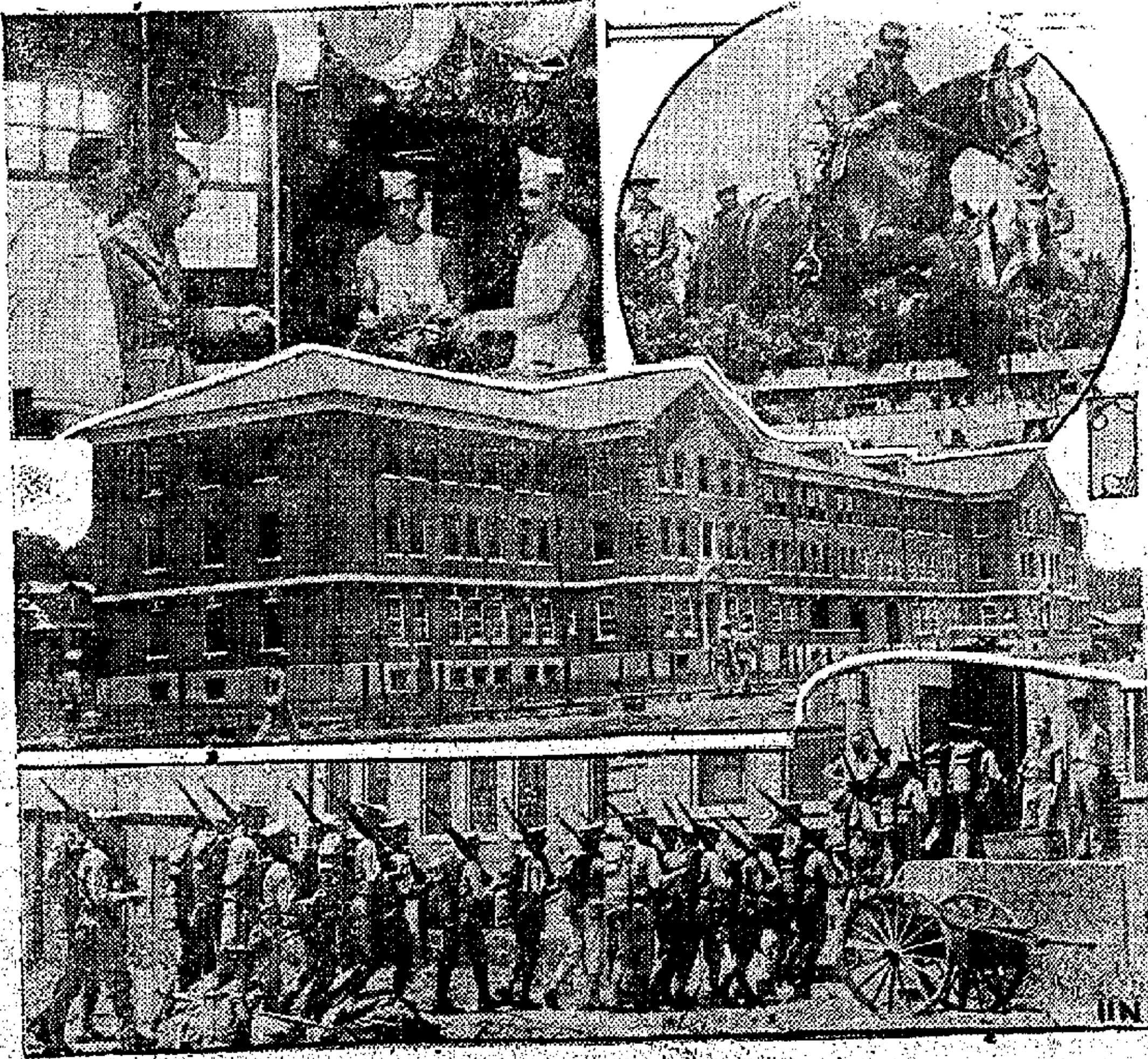
This newly dedicated shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at New Lebanon, N.Y., patterned after the world famous shrine of the same name at Lourdes, France, is attracting thousands and promises to become one of the landmarks of the country. The shrine is built of the field stone found in abundance all through the Lebanon Valley. Ten thousand persons attended the dedication at which James Maher, an aged crippled resident, is reputed to have cast aside his crutches and walked for the first time in eleven years.

Citizens' Military Camp



The Citizens Military Training Camp at Fort Howard, Md., expects to have a summer full of every sort of activity. At left is a member of the camp arriving at the encampment after having walked from Philadelphia, which is no mean hike, and he deserves the welcome extended him by Lt. Col. Charles I. Faddis, Executive Officer of the 394th Infantry. Above is shown a group of reserve officers from Western Pennsylvania who have arrived there to take up their duties of instruction, among which will be that of operating machine guns, below.

Leathernecks' New Quarters



When the U.S. Marines Corps goes ahead to do something, they certainly do that thing in perfect style. Just look at the new barracks, centre, at Quantico, Va., where the leathernecks are living in modern brick quarters with all the comforts of the modern hotel. General Snodley Butler, upper left, is inspecting the kitchen, that dread place where they have k.p. But how different is this kitchen! They've an electric dishwasher and potato peeler. How's that for class? Below is the first company of U.S. Marines to enter the new quarters, which replace the former wooden buildings. Maybe the Marine Corps could invite some of the C. M. T. C. students over from Fort Myers, Va., where they are being taught horsemanship, as, above, right, Colonel Guy V. Henry shows how to take the barrier, and recruit them into the corps after impressing them with the new home.

War Hero Joins "Rainbow" Reunion



General Henri Joseph Etienne Gouraud, military governor of Paris, War hero under whom the Rainbow Division first saw service in France, was enthusiastically greeted by former members of the division when he arrived at New York to be guest of the division during their convention at Baltimore. It was under General Gouraud that the Rainbow boys fought during the attack on Chalon which marked the turning point in the war.

Good Cigar And Rod



Alvin Koolidge is certainly a man's man. See him just after removing his fishing boots and the relief from the heavy boots. He has been fishing at the Cape Cod trout club. He is now a member, and is getting on well.

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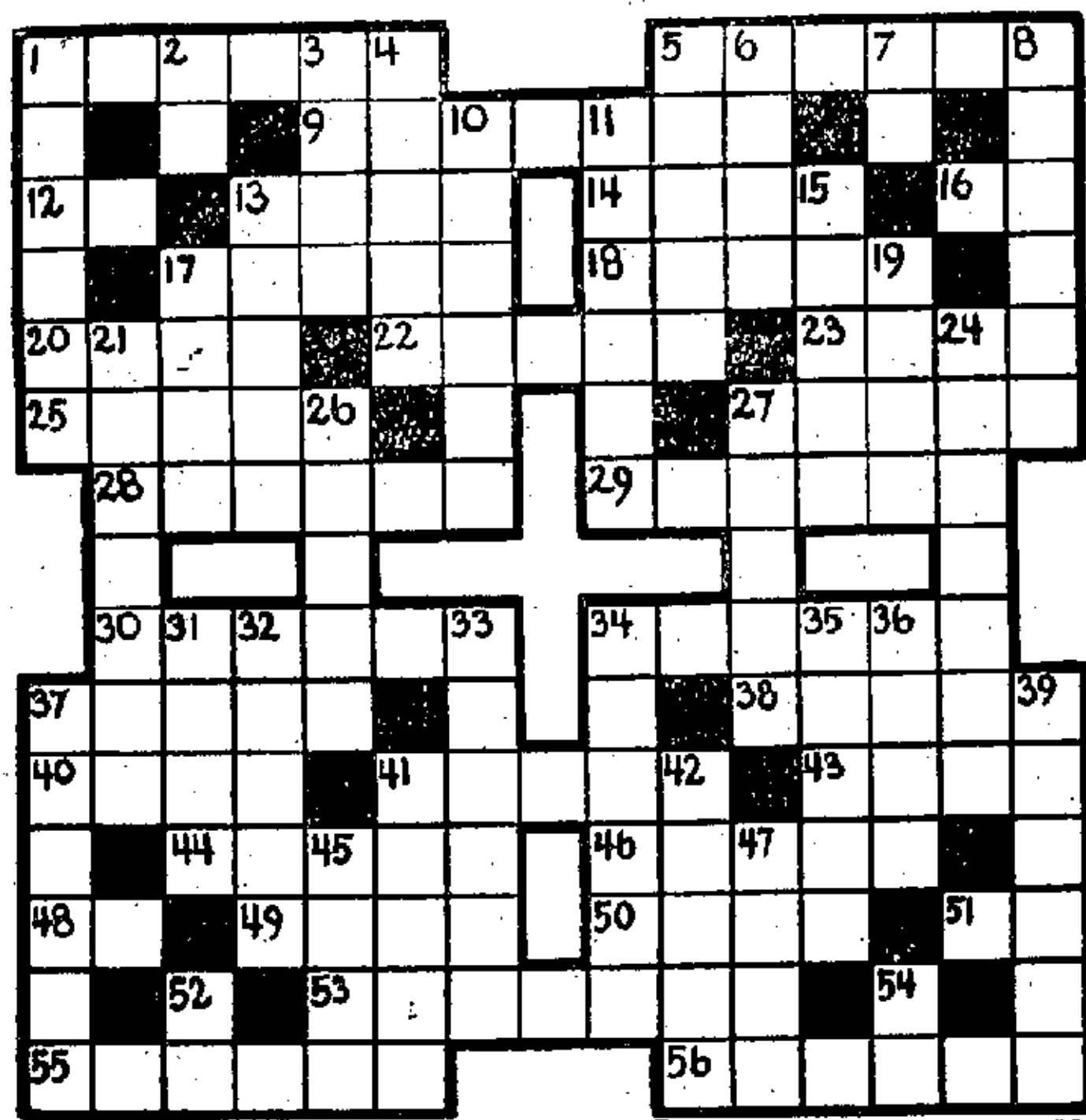
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## DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, pleur, and altho.)



**HORIZONTAL**  
1-Nickname of New York City  
5-Hardships  
9-A Southern State of the U. S.  
12-Egyptian sun-god  
13-To incline  
14-Girl's name  
16-Behold  
17-To hit (slang)  
18-Approaches  
20-To give forth  
22-Carole  
23-Excessive anger  
25-Early Norse rhymes  
27-A Persian gold coin  
28-Capital of Yucatan, Mexico  
29-A brief rain  
30-Bulldo  
34-A Spanish-American War hero  
37-A small wood  
38-A cavalry sword  
40-A mountain in Thessaly, Greece (Gr. Myth.)  
41-A ship's lead  
43-To grow weary

**HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**  
44-To go in  
46-Custom  
48-A half cm  
49-A father  
50-A notes English school  
51-Short for "Albert"  
53-Craved  
55-The marine force of a country (pl.)  
56-Almost

**VERTICAL**  
1-An English order of knighthood  
2-Toward  
3-Great periods of time  
4-Flesh of animals used for food (pl.)  
5-The prongs of a fork  
6-A frog  
7-Part of "to be"  
8-Secured in a dishonest way  
10-A city in C. New York  
11-The sacred river of India  
13-Tandler

**VERTICAL (Cont.)**  
15-An ancient weapon  
17-An evergreen tree  
19-Identical  
21-Those who make sport in masks  
24-One skilled in gardening  
28-Ago  
29-Vaults  
31-A familiar flower  
32-A noted American admiral  
33-Gazes intently  
34-More elevated  
35-A smooth glossy fabric  
36-The death of a person  
37-To rule  
39-Landed property  
41-The goddess of harvest  
42-Made of oats  
45-A current  
47-To press good or ill  
52-Four (Roman)  
54-Correlative of "either"

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## IDOL OF PARIS

LEARNED ENGLISH IN PRISON CAMP

Maurice Chevalier, songster idol of the French stage, first learned to speak English from a fellow-prisoner in a German hospital camp during the war. This man was Noman Kennedy, a British private from Durham, who remains to-day one of Chevalier's closest friends. Chevalier and Kennedy were war prisoners during 26 months of the conflict, Chevalier having been captured when wounded and left for dead in front of the French lines during the first battle of the Marne. Chevalier's first motion picture, "Innocents of Paris," is now in production at the Hollywood studios of Paramount. It is predicted that the star's strong romantic personality will make him one of the most popular men on the screen. Sylvia Beecher, beautiful young stage actress, has the leading role opposite Chevalier and the picture is being directed by Richard Wallace, whose "Shopworn Angel" was chosen by critics as one of the ten best pictures of 1928.

It's fascinating drama to see a youngster survive extravagant perils and character stripping of conversational Hollywood. It's fascinating, too, to realize that millions of picture goers elect whom they choose to stellar heights, regardless of native prejudice, pro or con.

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



Ben Lyon

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## Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

[By Dorothy Herzog]  
Hollywood. — This department rarely goes in for praise. Like producers, we're afraid it will make folks too happy. The following epistle, however, may be of interest. It comes all the way from Kyoto, Japan, to Corinne Griffith from that w.k. writer, E. Barrington:  
Dear Miss Griffith:  
Here in Japan I have just had a huge bundle of British press clippings about the London release of "The Divine Lady." I always knew that your beauty and sensitive appreciation were the ideal expression of Emma Hamilton's nature, but your triumph in Britain, where sharp criticism was naturally to be expected, was a triumph indeed and I congratulate you very warmly and truly. You have fixed an image of Lady Hamilton on British men and women which will make her memory a far more sympathetic one than it has been. I had that in mind myself in writing my novel.

Very cordially yours,  
E. BARRINGTON.

Why, the lighting systems and the sound apparatus actually are known to refuse to function because of the grotesque temperature. What chance has the actor got? Pity the poor Indian may eye.  
Years ago, Shayle Gardiner, another British actor, who, at this penning, is playing George Arliss doctor in "Disraeli," played with Ellen Terry in one of George Bernard Shaw's plays. Miss Terry, as you may recall, ranked among Britain's colourful and excellent actresses. It seemed, however, that she had difficulty remembering her lines. She was 58 at the time she appeared in Shaw's play and during those years she had absorbed many a play. Hence, her lapse of memory may or may not listen logical.  
Be that as it may, she showed remarkable agility in substituting her own lines for Shaw's. Shaw sat it in the orchestra. He stood it

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She was shoved into stardom. Frankly, she didn't know what it was all about. She just saw, suddenly, that she was the cinematic centre of five celluloid reels. She learned slowly. They still talked about her. Alice's personality will always be the target for comment until she graduates from mental flapperism.  
But she did her best. She worked like a buck private in her last picture, wherein she was called upon to be a versatile musical comedy trouper as well as talky actress.  
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Bessie Love

as long as he could before exclaiming:

"My dear Ellen, your lines are charming. Perhaps they are more charming than mine, but they are not my play."

Whereupon Miss Terry, captivated and bewitching as of yore, smiled prettily and replied: "My dear George, I am so delighted you like my play better than yours!"

One of the really fascinating stories in Hollywood is Alice White. Much has been written about Alice. Much of the copy has carried a sting. The White girl has stood out as the Cinderella of the screen even in her stellar glory.

They've called her dumb. And haywire. They've even sniffed at her picture. "How does she get away with it?" The answers were not always pretty.

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Alice intrigued Sid. So did the gossip stories about her. He has discovered the stories to be founded on verbal froth for the most part. He has found, too, that there are glimmering depths to the girl, depths begoggled by uncertainty, fluttery humour, fear. They've been going together several months now. Alice has changed. She's getting acquainted with herself, which is always a shock, if one waits too long. She's passed that stage. She has quieted. One doesn't hear her nervous giggle in public any more. She's stopped playing up to a cold audience.

First National destroyed her old contract, destroyed it before it expired. She has a new one, and her salary has shot to four plump figures a week. A man who really knows motion pictures said recently that if Alice White keeps her feet on the ground and her head out of the clouds within two years she will be among the biggest box office attractions the screen has ever known.

Verily, this village manufactures drama, but the real drama is too poignant to reach the screen. And—that's all.



Polly Moran

## FAY WRAY

FEMININE ROLE IN "FOUR FEATHERS"

The chief feminine role in "The Four Feathers," A. E. W. Mason's powerful novel which is being filmed by Paramount as one of its most important productions of the year, will be played by Fay Wray, whom Eric Von Stroheim lifted to fame when he selected her to appear in "The Wedding March."

Selection of Miss Wray for the parts of the heroine of "The Four Feathers," was made by B. P. Schulberg, general manager of west coast production for Paramount, after Ernest B. Schoedsack and Merian C. Cooper, who are co-directing the picture, had looked at two dozen screen tests.

Miss Wray is the second player placed in the cast of this drama, which already has been in production in the Sudan and in Tanganyika, Africa, for a year. Richard Arlen was assigned the leading male role.

Preparations for filming that part of the story which will be made at the Paramount studios have been rushing at top speed for two weeks and will continue at that rate for two weeks more at least. The actual studio shooting schedule has been set at a minimum of ten weeks.

Fay Wray's career in motion pictures has been an uninterrupted ascent. She began in comedies when she was 16, a student in Hollywood high school. Two years later Von Stroheim saw her in a western picture at the Universal studio and selected her for the leading part in "The Wedding March."

Emil Jannings saw several reels of that in a projection room and sought her services as his leading woman in "The Street of Sin." She won further recognition in this picture and followed it with the lead opposite Gary Cooper, in "The Legion of the Condemned." She was then chosen to co-star with Cooper in "The First Kiss," recently completed.

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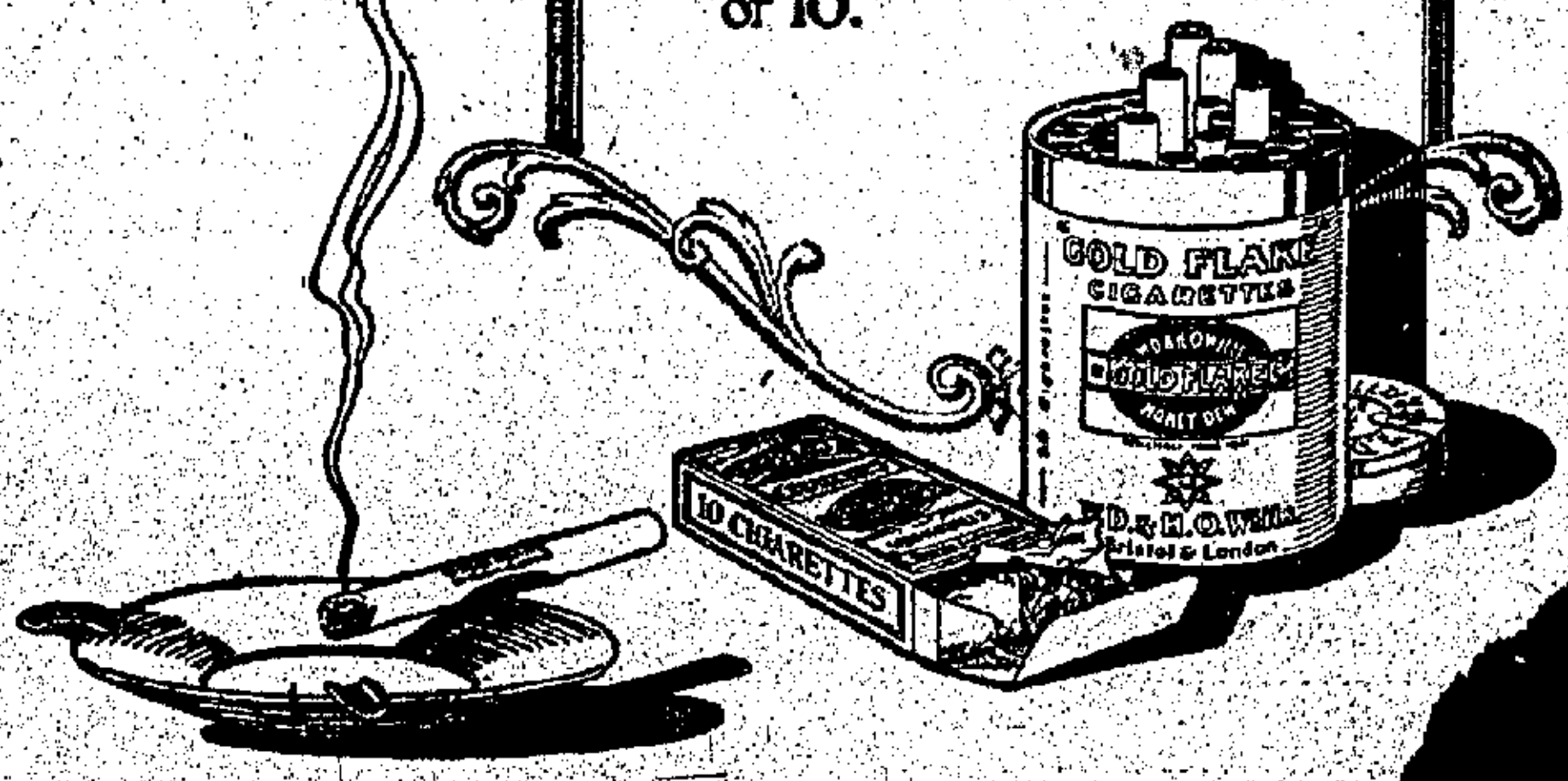
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### INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	FRIDAY, AUGUST 23.
Shanghai and Amoy	Luchow	
Japan and Shanghai	Hakozaki Maru	
Shanghai and Swatow	Sinkiang	
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 26th July), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. van Buren	
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, 25th July)	Garbeta	
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25.		
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only, London, 25th July)	Kumsang	
MONDAY, AUGUST 26.		
Japan	Talma	
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 2nd August), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Pierce	
Canada (Victoria B.C. August 8), U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Empress of Asia	
U.S.A. (San Francisco, 31st July), Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Korea Maru	
TUESDAY, AUGUST 27.		
Saigon	Sphinx	
Japan and Shanghai	Athos II.	
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28.		
Japan	Tanda	

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	FRIDAY, AUGUST 23.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	4 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halyang	4 p.m.
Shanghai	Oldekerk	4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Hakozaki Maru (Due Marseilles, 22nd Sept.)	
K.P.O.	G.P.O.	
Registration Aug. 23, 4.30 p.m.	Registration Aug. 24, 8.45 a.m.	
Letters Aug. 24, 9 a.m.	Letters Aug. 24, 9.30 a.m.	
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria, B.C.		
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24.		
Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	9 a.m.
Manila	President van Buren	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25.		
Hohow, Pakhoi & Tonkin		9 a.m.
Luchow		9 a.m.
Kiangsu		9 a.m.
Hokan Maru		9 a.m.
Formosa		9 a.m.
APRIL, AUGUST 26.		
Apocoy		3.30 p.m.
Anhui		3.30 p.m.

### COTTON DISPUTE DECISION

#### EMPLOYERS WIN

#### CASE MADE OUT FOR WAGES REDUCTION

#### THE INDUSTRY'S CONDITION

London, Yesterday.  
It is authoritatively learned that the employers' case, before the Arbitration Board inquiring into the cotton wages dispute at Manchester, has been completed.  
The operatives also put submissions before the Court. The employers will now be given an opportunity to cross-examine upon the evidence produced as were the operatives yesterday, and it is hoped that the business of the Board will be concluded to-night.

Chairman Intervenes  
Mr. Justice Swift dramatically intervened in the course of the proceedings, whereupon the Board adjourned.

Representatives of the employers and operatives met first separately and then together. Eventually they appointed four representatives of each to confer with Mr. Justice Swift and four members of the Board.

Not the Only Remedy  
Mr. Justice Swift said the Court was now convinced that a reduction of wages was the only remedy for the present state of affairs, but it was convinced that something must immediately be done to alleviate the position and, as an immediate easement a reduction should be made.

The Court was of opinion that it was not desirable that the sub-committee appointed by the Prime Minister in July should deal with the whole matter at the earliest.

Employers' Claim Upheld  
The Cotton Arbitration Court has upheld the employers' claim to reduce wages by 12½ per cent, which will take effect in the week ending September 14.

Industry Depressed  
Mr. Justice Swift, in announcing the Court's decision, said the evidence disclosed that the cotton industry was in a most depressed condition.

A 6½ P.C. Reduction  
It was later explained that the 12½ per cent reduction is on "list prices."

This is half of the employers' original claim, which was 25 per cent, "list prices" or 12½ per cent. current earnings.

So, the operatives' wages are actually reduced only by 6½ per cent.—Reuter.

### EGYPT AND SOVIET

#### STATEMENT BY COMMONWEALTH PRIME MINISTER

#### "NOT PREPARED"

Canberra, Yesterday.

Mr. S. Bruce, the Prime Minister, told Parliament that the Government had informed the British authorities that it was not prepared to acquiesce in any new treaty with Egypt unless the Suez Canal was not adequately protected and also that the Commonwealth Government, irrespective of what action might be taken by other parts of the Empire was not prepared to receive a Soviet representative unless satisfied of effective safeguards having been taken against propaganda.—Reuter.

At St. George's Church, Penang, Major Mark Lymbrey and Miss Wakeford Cox, of Shanghai were married. The Rev. Keppel Garnier officiated. Mr. J. V. C. Davis gave the bride away and Mr. E. G. Bird, was best man. A reception was held at 5 Brook Road.

### AN AMERICAN CATASTROPHE

#### FOREST FIRES

#### RAGING IN SEVERAL NORTH EASTERN STATES

#### BELTON EVACUATED

Columbia Falls, Montana, Yesterday.  
The worst forest fires in the past 20 years are raging in the north eastern states of America, British Columbia, Oklahoma, and Montana. Ranchers and lumbermen have been forced to flee for their lives. Over 50,000 acres of timberland in Oklahoma has been devastated and every available man is fighting desperately to save the town of Belton on the border of the Glacier National Park, Montana, from the flames.

The inhabitants have evacuated the town.—Reuter's American Service.

### "EUROPE" FLIGHT

#### AWARD OF POINTS IN RECENT CONTEST

#### AN INQUIRY

Paris, Yesterday.  
The Aero Club of France has published the awards on points to the competitors in the Round-Europe Flight for speed, reliability, etc.

Moritz (Germany) is first with 138.50. Captain Broad (Great Britain) second, 135.25. Lord Carbery (Great Britain) third, 131. Spooner (Great Britain) is 10th with 121.50. The above refers only to the actual distribution of points. The actual placing in the contest will be announced later.

An inquiry has been opened on the alleged flying over Italian prohibited zones by Broad, Spooner and Carbery.  
The result of the inquiry may greatly affect the adjudications.—Reuter.

### U.S. UNEMPLOYED

#### HOW THE PROBLEM IS TACKLED

#### LOAN FOR CONSTRUCTION

New York, Yesterday.  
The Federal Government is reported to be lending the American Export Steamship Corporation \$6,000,000 to finance the construction of four vessels for the American merchant marine and so prevent the unemployment of 1,000 shipworkers at the corporations' yards.—Reuter's American Service.

### SIAMESE PRINCE

#### IN NEW YORK WITH HEART TROUBLE

New York, Yesterday.  
Prince Purachatra, of Siam, arrived aboard the "Bremen" suffering from a heart attack, which, however, is not serious.—Reuter's American Service.

### MORE OPIUM

Fu Shing (39) and Tseung Yee (60) both living at 136, Tai Nam-street, appeared at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith on a charge of having in their possession 62 tael of raw opium, valued at \$186.00. Mr. J. M. Reynolds, who is appearing for the defence, was not present in Court, so his Worship, without objection from E. O. Young, remanded the case till Wednesday, meanwhile allowing the defendants \$2,000 bail.

### THE ZEPPELIN'S DEPARTURE

#### STILL IN JAPAN

#### WIND PREVENTS SATISFACTORY TAKING OFF

#### BACK TO TOKYO

Kasumigaura, Yesterday.  
Owing to the necessity for further preparations the departure of the Zeppelin is now delayed till 10 p.m., which in some ways is fortunate, as one of the passengers missed a train, and would have failed to arrive for the take-off, if the airship had left at 9 o'clock, as scheduled.

The weather is calm and overcast, with a threat of local showers, but is considered favourable. It is learned that the stowaway who was discovered last night is a weak-minded youth who had stolen 300 yen from his father with a determination to see the world from the air.

#### Still Hoping

Tokyo, Yesterday.  
Naval authorities of both Tokyo and Kasumigaura announce that the "Graf Zeppelin" is starting about 9 o'clock to-night, according to wind condition. Later.  
Owing to unfavourable wind the departure of the "Zeppelin" was again postponed, though it is still possible to leave to-night.

#### Indefinitely Postponed

Kasumigaura, Yesterday.  
It is announced that the "Zeppelin's" departure is postponed indefinitely owing to the wind making it difficult to take the airship from the hangar. The passengers are returning to Tokyo.

#### The Spectators

Kasumigaura, Yesterday.  
Undeterred by the morning's disappointment, intense crowds again assembled to witness the departure of the "Zeppelin," whose searchlights revealed a vast sea of faces lining the edge of the aerodrome while several hundreds of privileged spectators were drawn up near the entrance to the hangar. Part of these huge crowds, who remained all day, are mainly countryfolk, clad in every conceivable form of dress and undress. Old men, women and children to whom time means nothing but the sight of a giant dirigible departing on an adventurous trip across the trans-Pacific means everything.—Reuter.

### 'PLANE DISASTER

#### DAMAGES CLAIMED FOR 2-YEAR-OLD ACCIDENT

#### \$1,800,000 DEMANDED

Jersey City, Yesterday.  
Suits for damages totalling \$1,800,000 have been filed in the Supreme Court here as the result of the aeroplane accident at New Brunswick on September 17, 1927, when seven persons were killed and five injured.

Plaintiffs are the injured and the survivors of the deceased, including the widows of the pilot and mechanic.

The actions are brought against Richard Reynolds, of Reynolds Airways Incorporated, New Brunswick Fokker Aircraft Corporation and General Motors Incorporated.

It is alleged that the plane was overloaded and not in proper repair.—Reuter's American Service.  
[Reynolds, who inherited a great fortune from his father, the well-known tobacco magnate, was recently sentenced to five months' imprisonment in the Second Division for manslaughter arising from a motor accident.]

### LABOUR TROUBLE

#### THOUSANDS MORE ON STRIKE IN CALCUTTA

#### OIL CONCERNS' WORKERS

Calcutta, Yesterday.  
10,000 employees of the Burmah Shell and Standard Oil Companies have gone on strike here.—Reuter.

### THEIR MAJESTIES

#### LEAVING FOR SANDRINGHAM TO-MORROW

London, Yesterday.  
It is officially announced that Their Majesties will leave for Sandringham on Saturday.—Reuter.

Mr. William King, aged 75, an old shipmate, in the "Bacchante," of the King, who was received by his Majesty during his stay at Craigwell House, died last month at Bognor.

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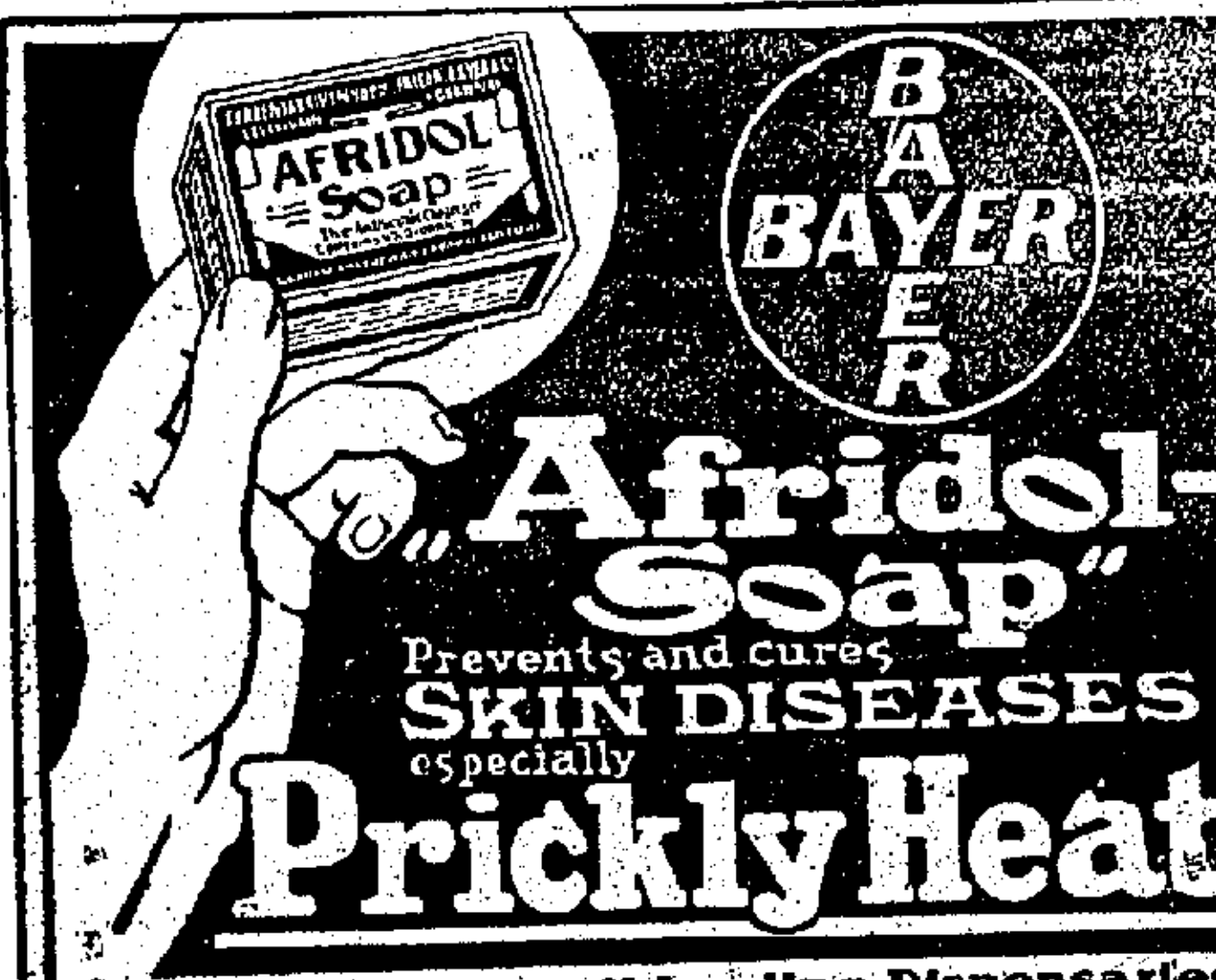
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